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迷宮第三階層、通称「六花水樹海」――。
未だ踏破したギルドがないと言われるこの第三階層において、
公宮による先遣隊が行方不明となった。
ただちに冒険者による大規模な探索隊が組まれる。
第三階層に潜む危機とは？
迷宮深層に進むにつれ、マナリィたちの戦いはさらに激しさを増す――！

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さあ、世界樹漫画もとうとう下巻です！
どうか、マナリィ達の冒険に最後までお付き合いをば。

写真は、冒険に必要な装備一式を手入れするマナリィ達。
あ、バラ子ししょーの顔にラクガキしたのは、私ではなく、ひむか(ry

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ONE TIME SCANS BECAUSE WE DON'T SAYING I MORE TIME

ONE TIME SCANS!

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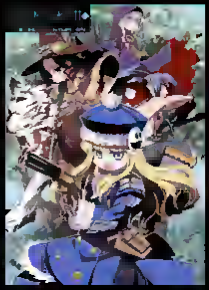

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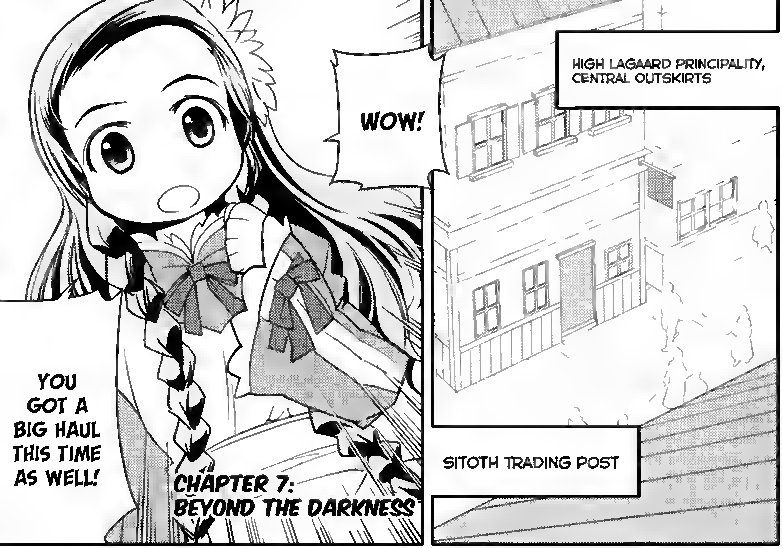
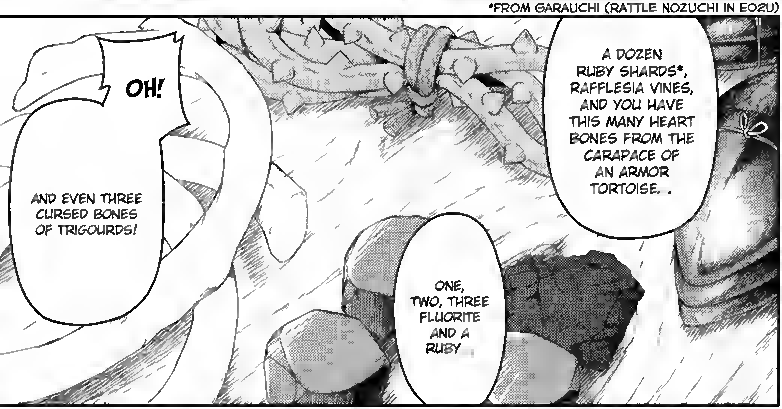
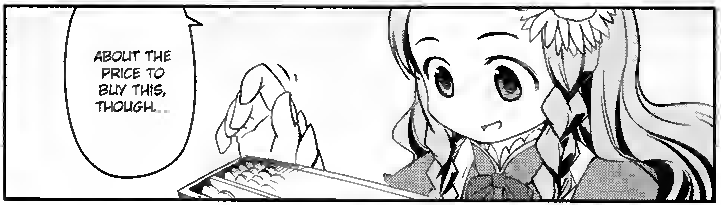

WOW!
HIGH LAGAARD PRINCIPALITY, CENTRAL OUTSKIRTS
YOU GOT A BIG HAUL THIS TIME AS WELL!
CHAPTER 7: BEYOND THE DARKNESS
SITOTH TRADING POST

*FROM GARAUCHI (RATTLE NOZUCHI IN EO2U)


OH!
AND EVEN THREE CURSED BONES OF TRIGOURDS!
ONE, TWO, THREE FLUORITE AND A RUBY.
A DOZEN RUBY SHARDS*, RAFFLESIA VINES, AND YOU HAVE THIS MANY HEART BONES FROM THE CARAPACE OF AN ARMOR TORTOISE. .

*EARLIER CHAPTERS MAY HAVE ERRONEOUSLY REFERRED TO STRATA AS FLOORS

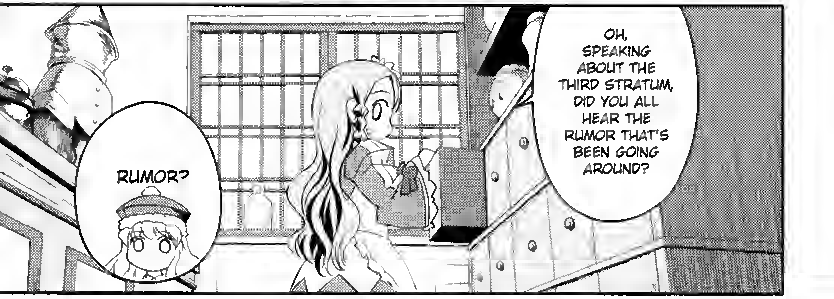
YOU'RE NOT ONE FOR MODESTY, HUH?
WELL, OUR GUILD DID INCREASE TO FIVE PEOPLE
SO, IT'S ALL THANKS TO ME
POOF


ABOUT THE PRICE TO BUY THIS, THOUGH...

OH!
THAT REMINDS ME,
CAN YOU TRADE PART OF IT FOR THIS AMOUNT OF HERBS INSTEAD OF MONEY?
POWDER FOR MY GUN AS WELL! DOUBLE THE NORMAL AMOUNT!

WOW! WE DID IT!
IT'LL BE THIS MUCH, BUT IS THAT OKAY?
WELL, IF IT'S THAT PRICE, I HAVE NO COMPLAINTS. PLEASE TRADE THEM IN

WELL, IT'S NOT THE THIRD STRATUM, BUT YES, A LITTLE
ARE YOU PERHAPS GOING TO CHALLENGE THE THIRD STRATUM ALREADY?
WOW, YOU'RE BUYING A LOT, AREN'T YOU?


RUMOR?
OH, SPEAKING ABOUT THE THIRD STRATUM, DID YOU ALL HEAR THE RUMOR THAT'S BEEN GOING AROUND?

?
THE FACT THAT THEY AREN'T RELEASING THIS NEWS TO THE MASSES MUST MEAN THERE'S SOME KIND OF SECRET BEHIND IT...!
THAT THE PALACE IS SECRETLY SEARCHING FOR ADVENTURERS THAT CAN EXPLORE THE THIRD STRATUM...

HEY, YOU LOT!
DID YOU HEAR THAT STORY GOING AROUND?
IT'S ABOUT THE PALACE LOOKING FOR ADVENTURERS TO EXPLORE THE THIRD STRATUM, RIGHT?
WHAT'S WITH THOSE FACES...?

HM, IT'S SPREAD TO THAT EXTENT IN THE CITY, HUH?
ISN'T IT MORE LIKE YOU'RE DELIBERATELY SPREADING THE SECRET?
SECRET?
IT'S NOT REALLY A SECRET.
IT'S A PROPER QUEST THE PALACE SENT THROUGH THE EXPLORERS GUILD.
WHY WOULD THEY GO THROUGH THE EFFORT TO USE THE GUILD AS A MIDDLEMAN?
THE PALACE HAS THE POWER TO DIRECTLY ANNOUNCE THE MISSION TO ADVENTURERS.
WELL, IT SEEMS LIKE A PRETTY DANGEROUS REQUEST.
AND IT SEEMS INTERTWINED WITH PRIVATE MATTERS WITHIN THE PALACE
I SEE.
IF THE KING MADE A PUBLIC DECLARATION, IN A SENSE HE WOULD BE FORCING ADVENTURERS TO GO ON THIS DANGEROUS MISSION, RIGHT?

OBVIOUSLY YOU LOT WILL TAKE THIS MISSION, RIGHT?
I THOUGHT YOU WOULD, SO I SENT A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION TO THE GUILD.
WE W-
WON'T ACCEPT THIS MISSION.
WHAT? YOU'RE NOT ACCEPTING?
SORRY
BUT WE HAVE OTHER PLANS FOR WHERE TO EXPLORE.

PLANS FOR WHERE TO EXPLORE?
IT WOULDN'T BE SOMETHING PROFITABLE, WOULD IT?
WHO KNOWS?
WE'LL TELL YOU WHEN WE GET BACK
YGGDRASIL LABYRINTH
SECOND STRATUM

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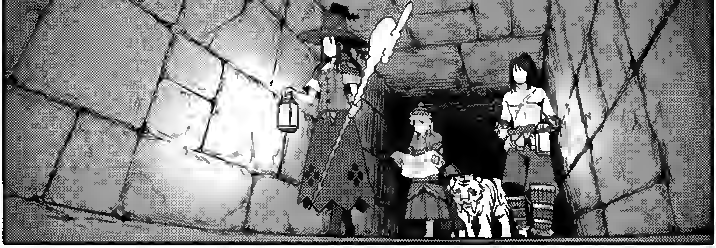
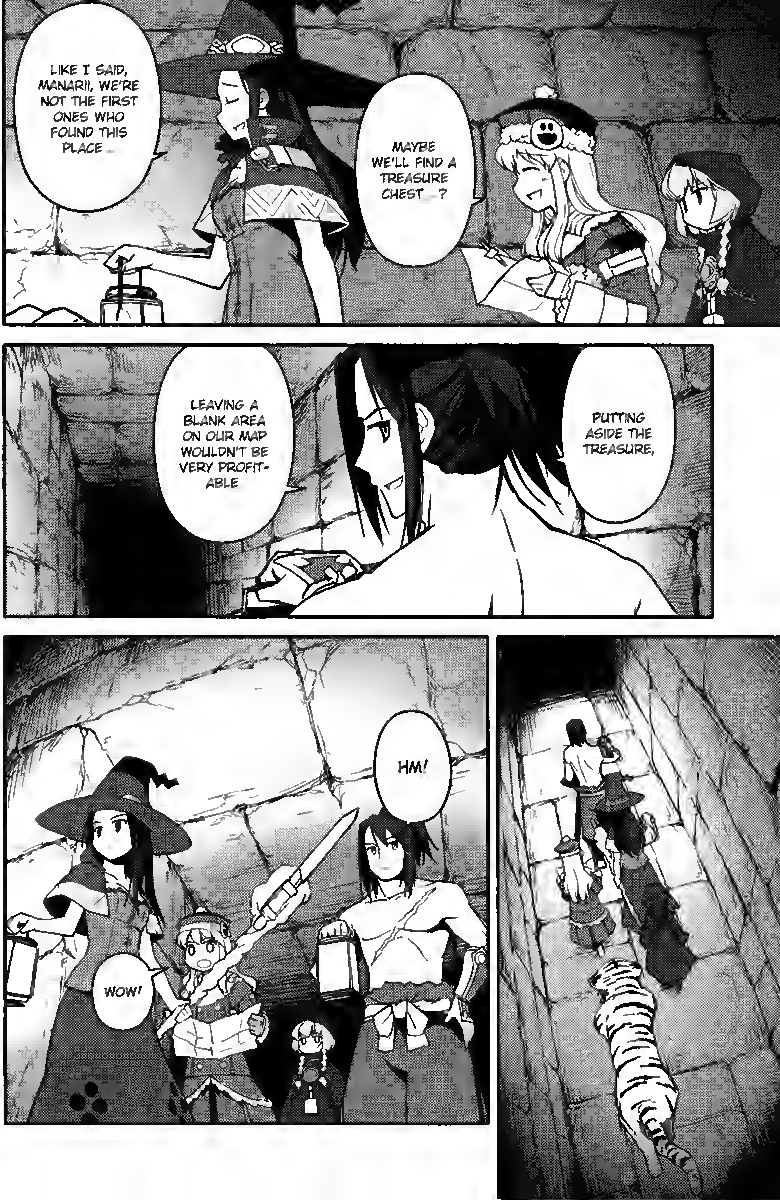


WELL, OUR EYES WERE USED TO THE DARK LAST TIME...
HERE

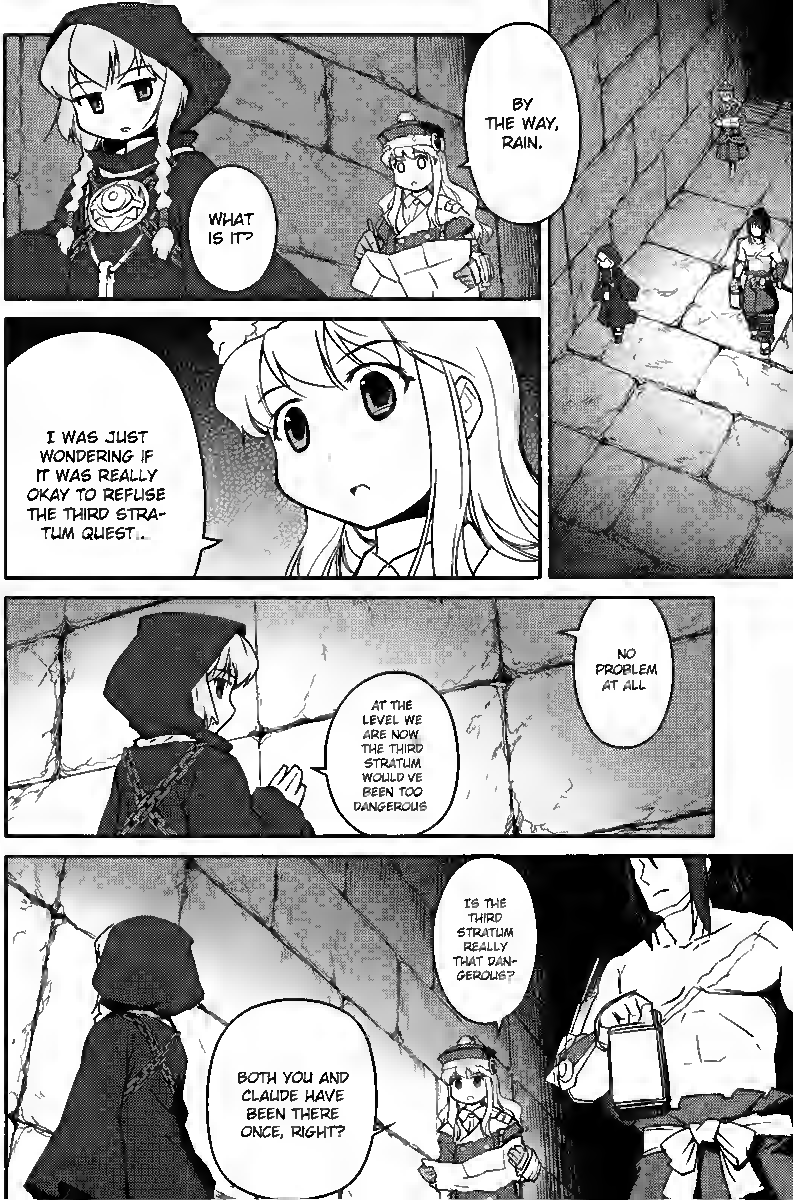
HUH?
WAS IT THIS DARK THE LAST TIME WE CAME HERE?

THE BLANK AREA ON OUR MAP ...!

IF WE GO RIGHT WE'LL HIT THAT CAVE-IN SPOT
AND TO THE LEFT


LIKE I SAID, MANARI, WE'RE NOT THE FIRST ONES WHO FOUND THIS PLACE...
MAYBE WE'LL FIND A TREASURE CHEST...?
LEAVING A BLANK AREA ON OUR MAP WOULDN'T BE VERY PROFITABLE
PUTTING ASIDE THE TREASURE,
HM!
WOW!

IT'S BIG.
LET'S SPLIT UP AND SEARCH ALONG THE WALL
LUKE AND I WILL SEARCH FROM THIS SIDE.
YOU GUYS PLEASE SEARCH FROM THAT SIDE.
ROGER!
I DON'T SENSE ANY-THING ALIVE DOWN HERE, BUT BE CAREFUL.
YOU TOO


BY THE WAY, RAIN.
WHAT IS IT?
I WAS JUST WONDERING IF IT WAS REALLY OKAY TO REFUSE THE THIRD STRATUM QUEST...
NO PROBLEM AT ALL
AT THE LEVEL WE ARE NOW THE THIRD STRATUM WOULD'VE BEEN TOO DANGEROUS
IS THE THIRD STRATUM REALLY THAT DANGEROUS?
BOTH YOU AND CLAUDE HAVE BEEN THERE ONCE, RIGHT?

MANAR!!
OUT OF ALL THE GUILDS, HOW MANY DO YOU THINK CAN MAKE IT TO THE SECOND STRATUM?
HMMM... ABOUT ONE-THIRD?
"IS IT DANGEROUS", HUH?
WELL, YOU COULD SAY THAT THE THIRD STRATUM IS WHERE THE TRUE EXPLORATION BEGINS.
NO.
OUT OF TEN, ONLY ONE OR TWO CAN MAKE IT TO THE SECOND STRATUM
AND THE GUILDS THAT CAN MAKE IT TO THE THIRD STRATUM ARE ONE-TENTH OF THAT.
I KNOW IT'S THAT DANGER-OUS
BUT WHAT DO YOU MEAN IT'S WHERE "THE TRUE EXPLORATION BEGINS"?
THAT'S BECAUSE ...

A GUILD THAT HAS FULLY EXPLORED THE THIRD STRATUM STILL DOESN'T EXIST.
WHILE THE PREVIOUS STRATA ARE DANGEROUS, WE WERE MAINLY IN TERRITORY THAT SOMEONE HAD ALREADY EXPLORED.
BUT THE THIRD STRATUM IS DIFFERENT
NO ONE HAS SET FOOT IN THE DEEPER AREAS
YOU CAN'T EVEN BEGIN TO GUESS WHAT'S LYING IN WAIT.

WELL, IF WE'RE GOING TO CLIMB YGGDRASIL, IT'S A DANGER WE'LL HAVE TO FACE EVENTUALLY...
SHINON, DID YOU FIND ANYTHING?
NOTHING IN PARTICULAR OVER HERE
WAIT A SECOND.
SO IN THE END, THIS PLACE IS A DEAD END

THERE'S A STRANGE BLANK AREA RIGHT HERE.
BUT IF SHINON AND I COUNTED OUR STEPS RIGHT...
I WAS JUST WRITING DOWN OUR ROUTES IN THIS MAP.
THAT COULD BE IT
ANOTHER HIDDEN DOOR?
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EVERY-ONE.
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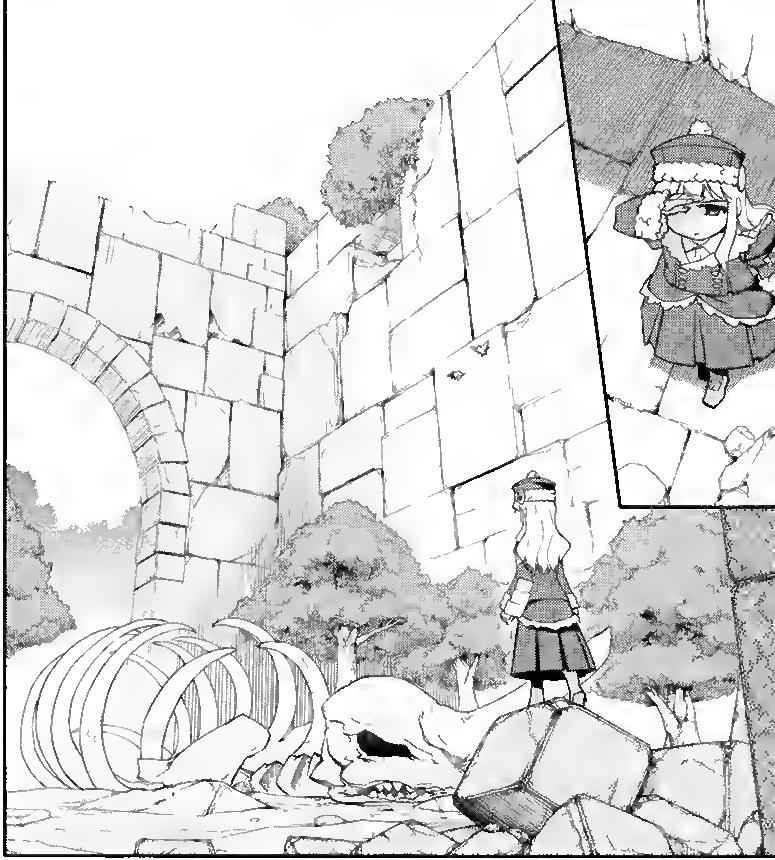
CAREFUL, THERE MIGHT BE SOMETHING ON THE OTHER SIDE.
OKAY...!
!
GROWL

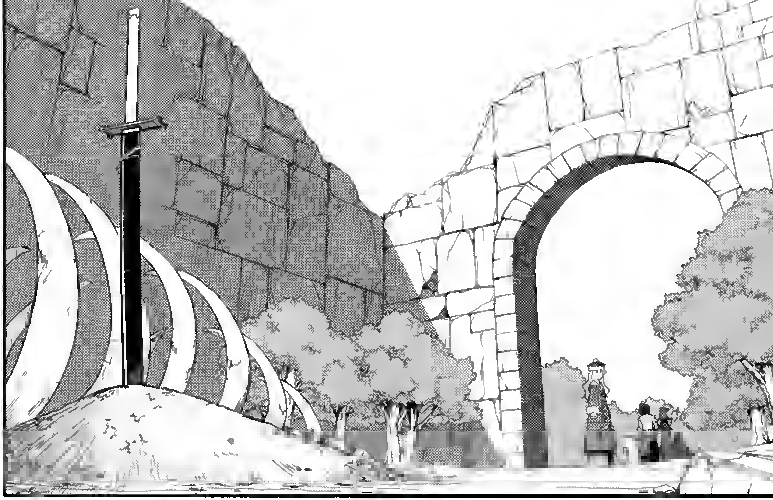
THAT MAN...
WAIT.
DON'T WORRY, LUKE.
HAS DIED A LONG TIME AGO

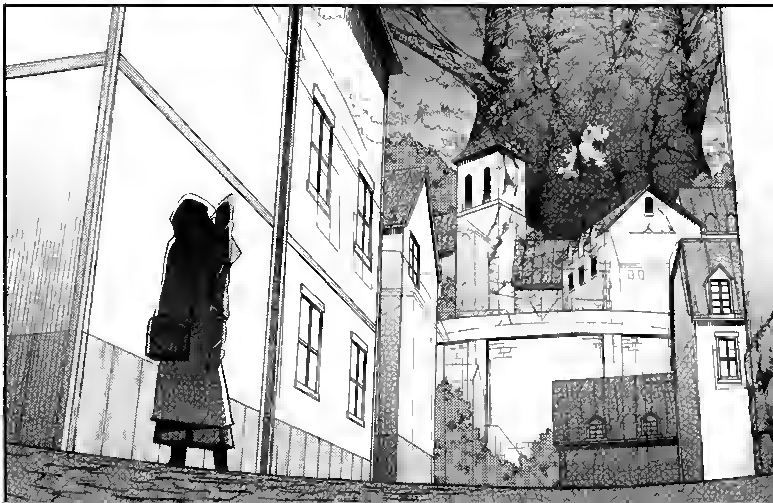
HE'S HOLDING A KATANA
PERHAPS HE WAS A RONIN WHEN HE WAS STILL ALIVE...
IT'S A GOOD KATANA
THE OWNER MAY HAVE BEEN A TALENTED SWORDSMAN AS WELL...
HEY, WERE YOU A RONIN LIKE ME?
WHAT WAS AT THE END OF YOUR "ROAD"...?
NOT LIKE HE CAN ANSWER...



SHINON
THESE ARE PROBABLY THE BONES OF A SAURO-POSEIDON
IT MAY HAVE HIT A STALEMATE WITH THAT RONIN

HEY
THIS MUST BE AN UN-DISCOVERED HARVESTING POINT
BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF FRUITS HERE
I WANT TO MAKE A GRAVE FOR THAT GUY
CAN YOU HELP ME OUT?
IT'S ENOUGH.
IS THIS OKAY?





IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I LAST CAME TO TOWN.
BUT YGGDRASIL HASN'T CHANGED ONE BIT ...
HEY, YOU LOT.
JUST A BIT MORE, MISS.
ARE WE STILL NOT AT THE INN I'M SEARCHING FOR?
HEY, ABOUT NOW...
YEAH, NOW SEEMS LIKE A GOOD TIME.
CAN YOU HAND OVER YOUR VALUABLES WITHOUT ANY TROUBLE, MISS?
NOW, THEN, SEEING THAT THERE'S NO ONE AROUND ANYMORE,
I SEE YOU'RE THAT KIND OF PEOPLE.

EH?
!
YOU! DON'T START A-!
AAAA AAAAAA AAAH!!! IT HURTS!

WHA!
GAH!
YOU ...
YOU PUNK!
GWUH!

NEVER SHOW YOUR FACE IN FRONT OF ME AGAIN.
NEXT TIME I SEE YOU, I WON'T HESITATE TO PULL THE TRIGGER.
AAA AAA AH~
SIGH...
THEY WASTED MY TIME...
IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE I'LL BE ABLE TO MEET MANA!! TODAY...

ONE TIME SCANS BECAUSE WE KEPT SAYING 1 MORE TIME

ONE TIME SCANS!

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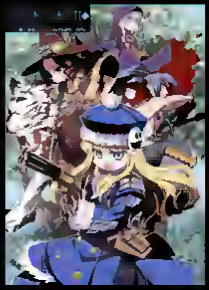

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HEY, YOU LOT! IT'S MORNING!
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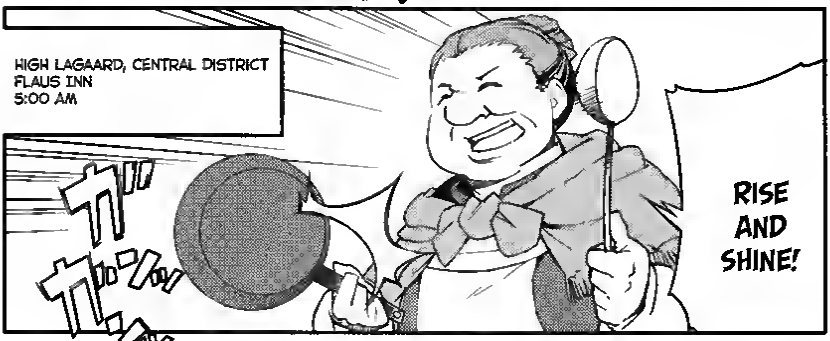
HIGH LAGAARD, CENTRAL DISTRICT
FLAUS INN
5:00 AM
RISE AND SHINE!
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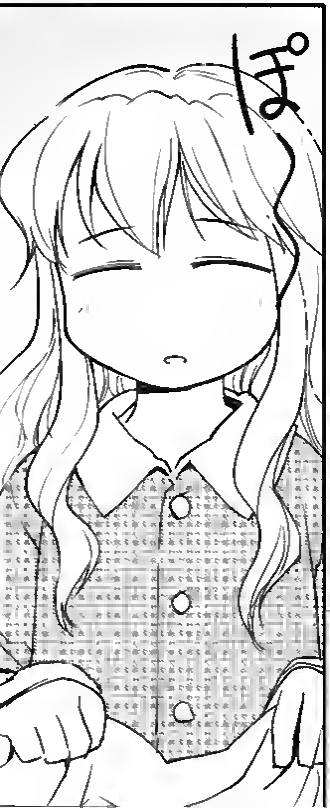
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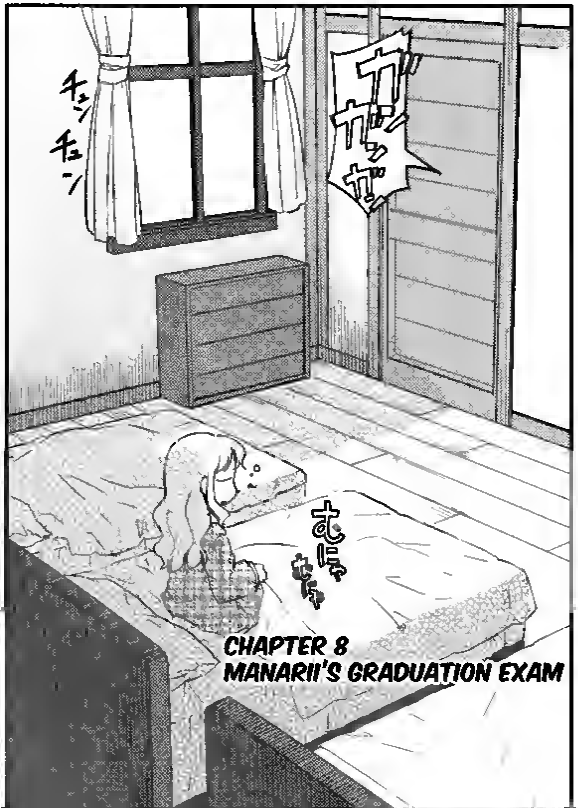
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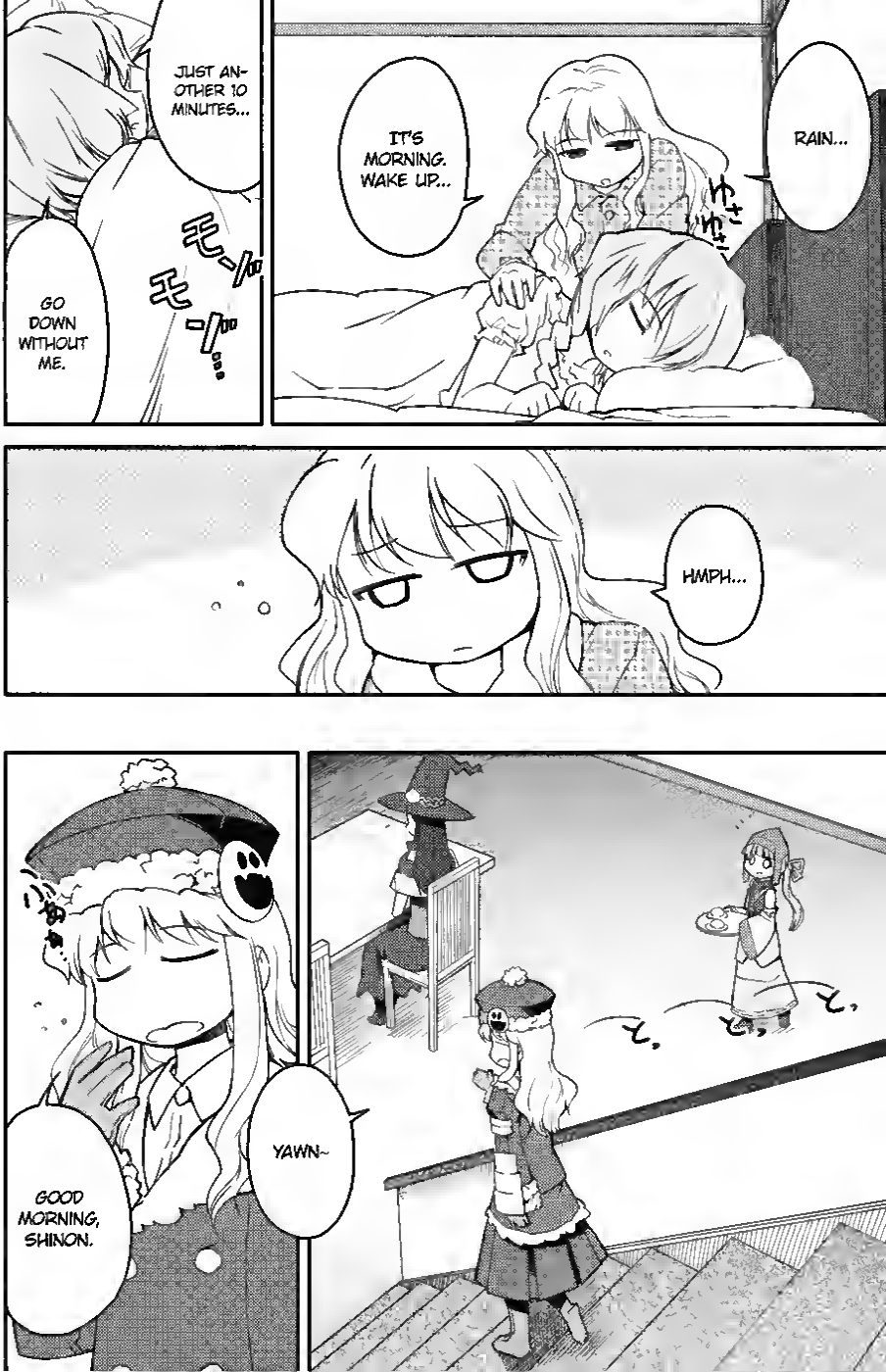
MANARII'S GRADUATION EXAM


JUST ANOTHER 10 MINUTES...
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GO DOWN WITHOUT ME.
IT'S MORNING. WAKE UP...
RAIN...
HMPH...
YAWN~
GOOD MORNING, SHINON.

GOOD MORNING.
GOOD MORNING, MANARII.
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AS ALWAYS YOU'RE WEAK AT WAKING UP.
AFTER EATING BREAKFAST GO GET READY.
ぴょ
GOOD MORN-ING...
AH, MASTER ICHIKA .
..HM .. LABYRINTH?
... COMBAT ...?
YES, MASTER...
MANARII, HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO BE HALF-ASLEEP?
WE'RE GOING TO DO ACTUAL COMBAT IN THE LABY-RINTH
WHAT TRAINING ARE WE DOING TODAY...?

MASTER ICHIKA!!
M-M-
M-M-
WHY ARE YOU HERE?!

UH-OH!
AH.
OW...

IT'S YOUR GRADUATION EXAM.

NOW, THEN, ONCE YOU'RE DONE WITH BREAKFAST, WE'LL HEAD TO THE LABY-RINTH

CHAPTER 8: MANARII'S GRADUATION EXAM

SIGH...
SO WE'RE STUCK WITH A CHAPERONE TODAY.
IT'S OKAY ONCE IN A WHILE, RIGHT?
IN THE OLD DAYS, PARTIES OF SIX WERE THE MAIN TACTIC IN EXPLORING THE LABYRINTH.
DON'T SWEAT THE SMALL STUFF, YOUNG'N.
A GOOD MAN SHOULD ALWAYS BE COMPOSED.
BUT MANARII'S FIREARM INSTRUCTOR, HUH?
ICHIKA... I THINK I'VE HEARD THAT NAME SOMEWHERE....

WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO FOR THE GRADUATION EXAM...?

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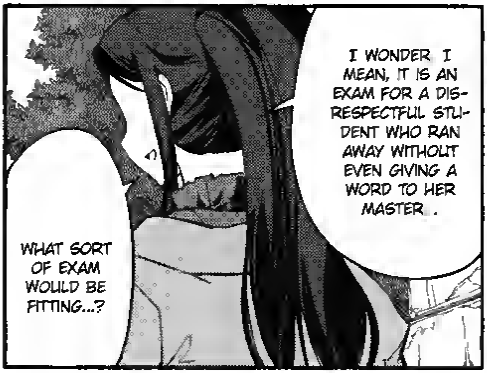
I WONDER I MEAN, IT IS AN EXAM FOR A DISRESPECTFUL STUDENT WHO RAN AWAY WITHOUT EVEN GIVING A WORD TO HER MASTER .
WHAT SORT OF EXAM WOULD BE FITTING...?

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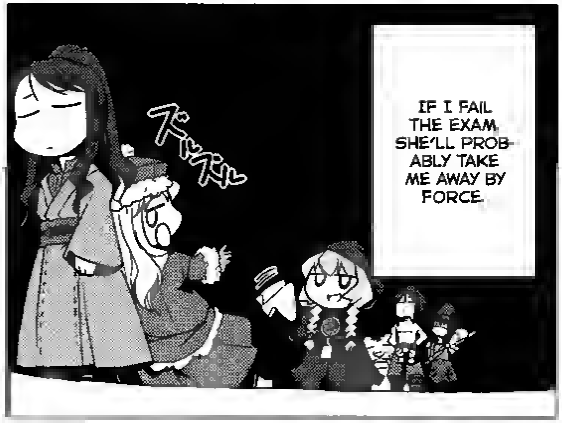
WELL, JUST LOOK FORWARD TO IT.

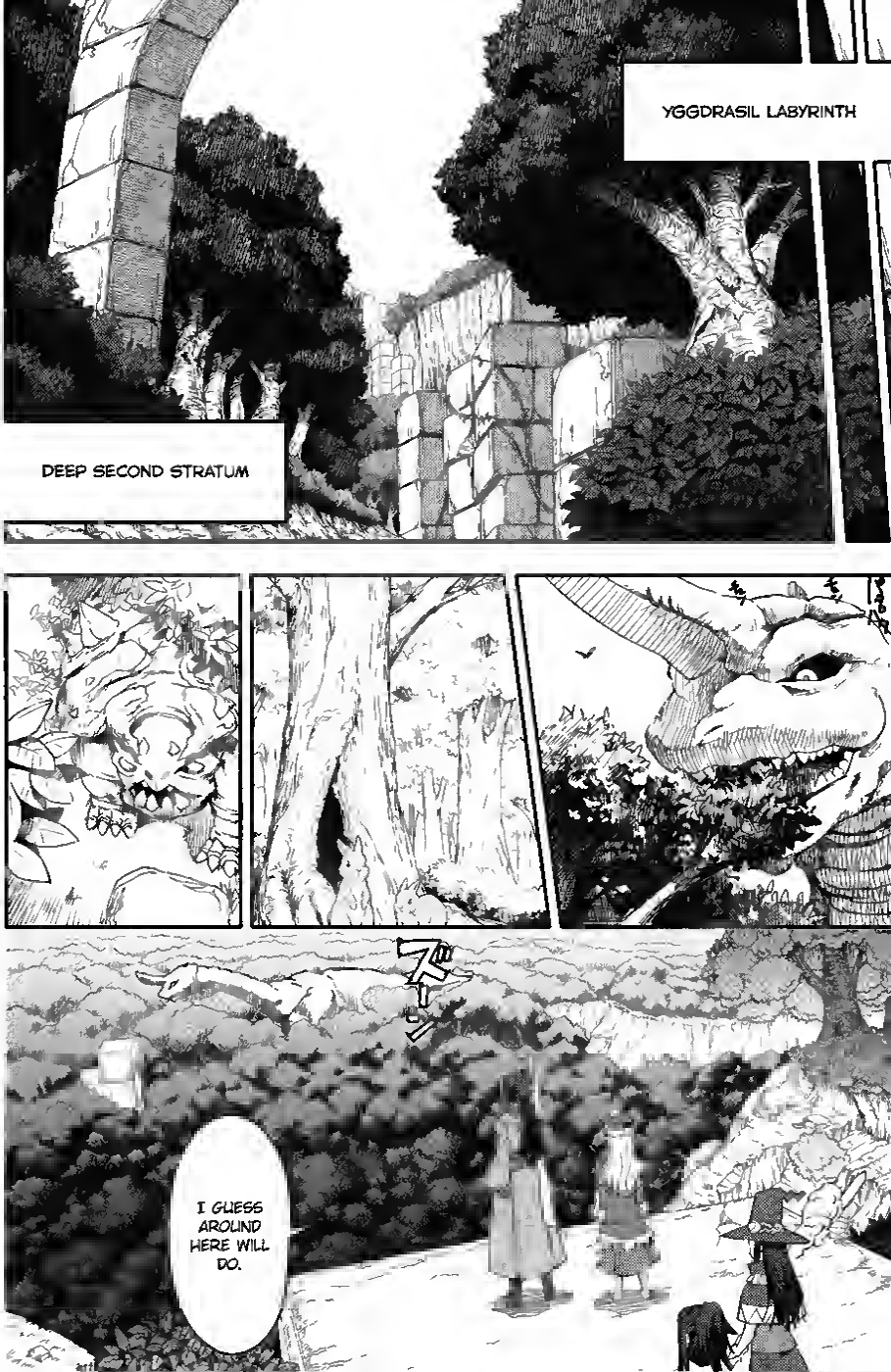
WHAT IN THE WORLD IS SHE GOING TO MAKE ME DO?
AUGH.

AH!
ANY-THING BUT THAT!

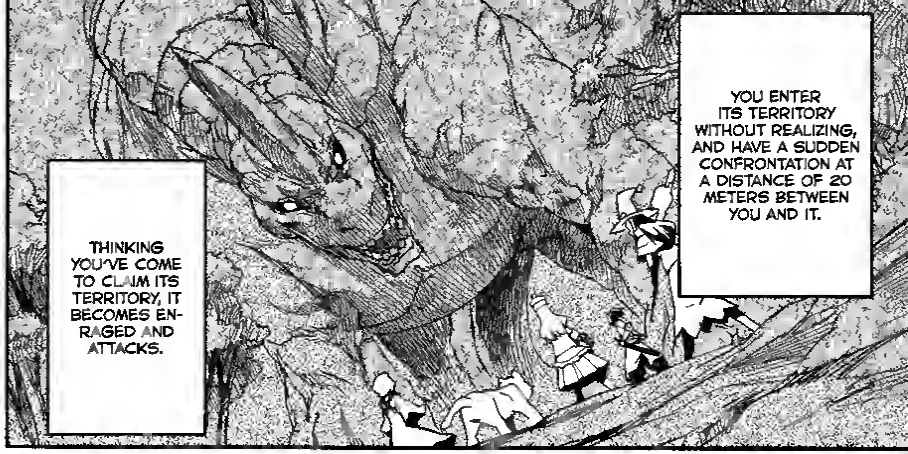

IF I FAIL THE EXAM SHE'LL PROB-ABLY TAKE ME AWAY BY FORCE.

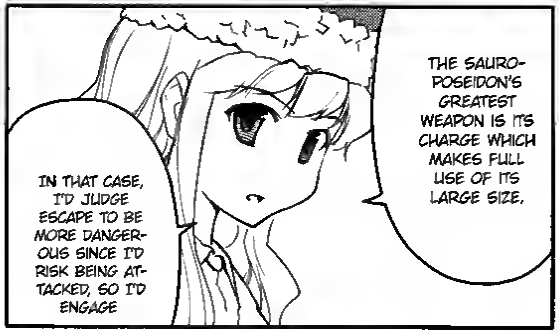
NO MATTER WHAT CHAL-LENGES SHE THROWS AT ME,
I'LL SHOW HER MY GROWTH AND MAKE HER ACKNOWL-EDGE ME!!

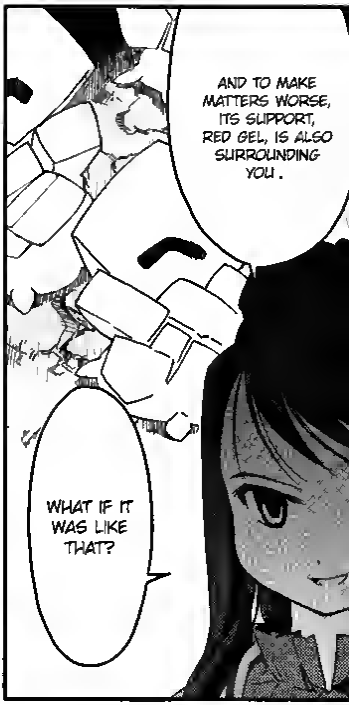
FINE, I'LL DO IT!

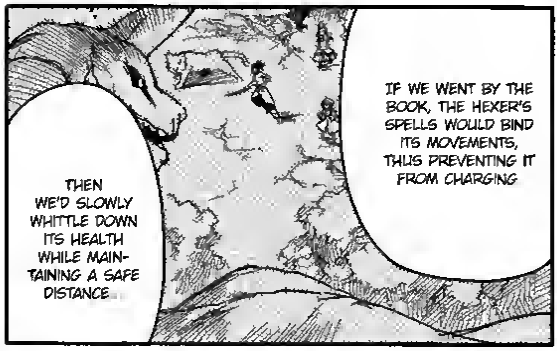

YGGDRASIL LABYRINTH
DEEP SECOND STRATUM
I GUESS AROUND HERE WILL DO.

MANA!!, SEE THAT SAUROPOSEI-DON OVER THERE?
YES.
HERE'S A QUES-TION
WHAT IS YOUR STRATEGY IN COUNTERACTING A SAUROPOSEI-DON IF YOU EN-COUNTER ONE?
SAURO-POSEI-DON...
USUALLY I'D AVOID CONFLICT.
IT'S AN ENEMY WHERE THE RISK OF FIGHTING IT IS GREATER THAN THE RETURN.
THE LARGEST AND STRON-GEST LIVING THING ON THE SECOND STRATUM...
HM.
THEN LET'S MAKE THE SCENARIO MORE SPE-CIFIC.


YOU ENTER ITS TERRITORY WITHOUT REALIZING, AND HAVE A SUDDEN CONFRONTATION AT A DISTANCE OF 20 METERS BETWEEN YOU AND IT.
THINKING YOU'VE COME TO CLAIM ITS TERRITORY, IT BECOMES ENRAGED AND ATTACKS.


THE SAURO-POSEIDON'S GREATEST WEAPON IS ITS CHARGE WHICH MAKES FULL USE OF ITS LARGE SIZE.
IN THAT CASE, I'D JUDGE ESCAPE TO BE MORE DANGEROUS SINCE I'D RISK BEING ATTACKED, SO I'D ENGAGE


AND TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE, ITS SUPPORT, RED GEL, IS ALSO SURROUNDING YOU.
WHAT IF IT WAS LIKE THAT?


IF WE WENT BY THE BOOK, THE HEXER'S SPELLS WOULD BIND ITS MOVEMENTS, THUS PREVENTING IT FROM CHARGING
THEN WE'D SLOWLY WHITTLE DOWN ITS HEALTH WHILE MAINTAINING A SAFE DISTANCE...

BUT

IF WE HAD A RONIN WHO COULD DEFEAT AN ARMORED WYVERN WITH ONE STRIKE,
A WAR MAGUS WHO COULD USE HIGH-LEVEL SWORD AND HEALING TECHNIQUES,
A SABER-TOOTHED TIGER WITH BOTH THE DEFENSE OF A FULLY-EQUIPPED PROTECTOR AND THE ATTACK POWER OF A HEAVY INFANTRYMAN EQUIPPED WITH A HALBERD
A HEXER WHO COULD STOP THE MOVEMENTS OF THE RED GEL MOB WITH ONE WORD,

AND A GUNNER WITH THE SKILL TO CONTINUOUSLY AND ACCURATELY FIRE UPON THE HEAD OF THE SAUROPOSEIDON RAGING IN FRONT OF HER,
A FULL FRONTAL ASSAULT BEFORE THE SAUROPOSEIDON EVEN HAS A CHANCE TO CHARGE WOULD BE MORE EFFICIENT.
I SEE.
THEN HERE'S THE LAST QUESTION.
.....

IN THE EXACT SAME POSITION, BUT...
WHAT IF YOU WERE WITH THE SAME PARTY

AND WERE IN A STATE WHERE THEY COULDN'T FIGHT OR RUN, WHERE THE PARTY WAS ALMOST CERTAIN TO BE WIPED OUT...
EVERYONE BUT YOU WERE GRAVELY INJURED

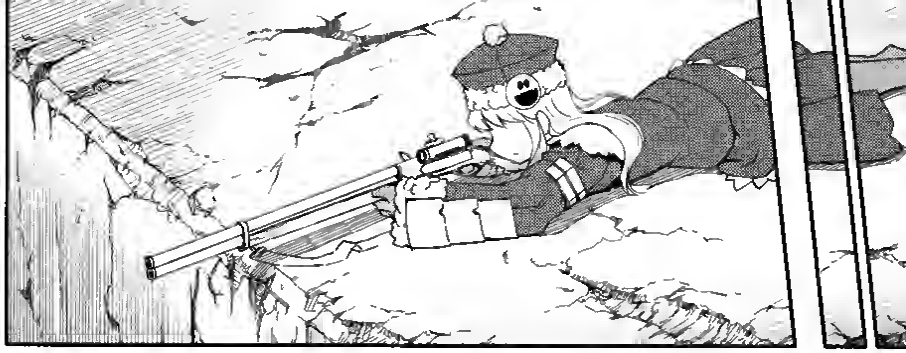
WHAT WOULD YOU DO?
YOU'D HAVE A BETTER CHANCE OF MAKING IT OUT ALIVE...
IF YOU RAN AWAY BY YOUR-SELF,

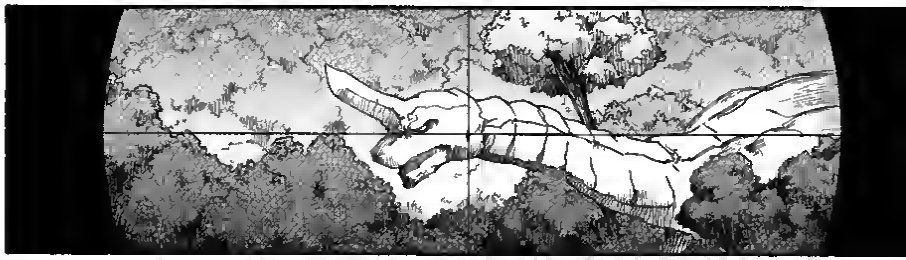
MASTER ICHIKA, WHATEVER THE REASON, THAT QUESTION IS TOO UNFAIR!
SHINON.
I'M ASKING MANARI, NOT YOU.
ISN'T MAKING SURE SOME-THING LIKE THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN THE TRUE WORTH OF AN AD-VENTU-!
...I WOULD...
IF IT WAS ME...

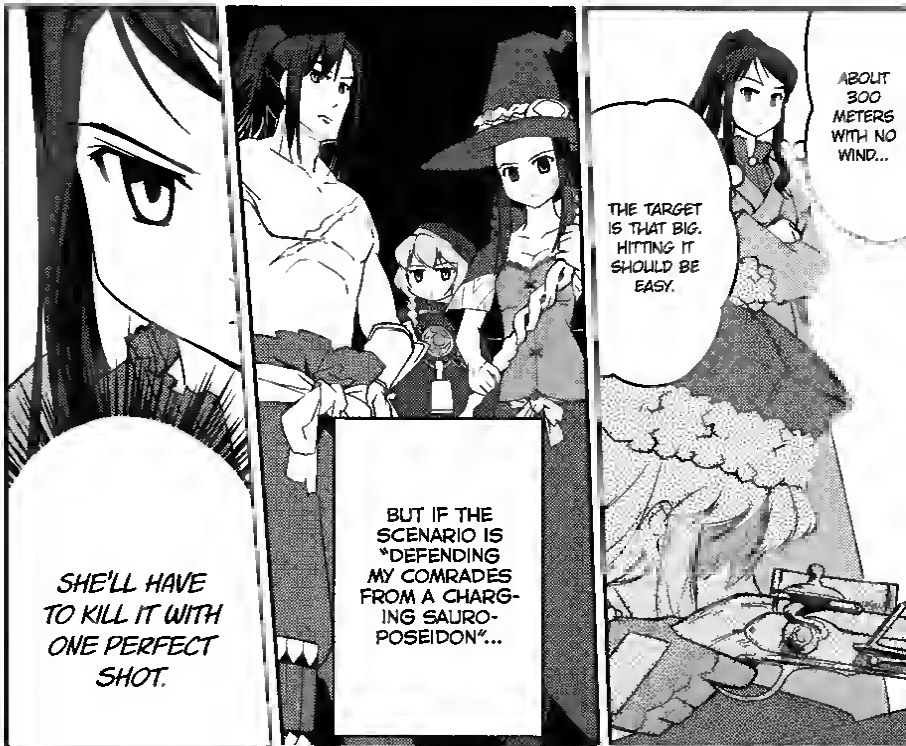
IF IT WAS ME, I'D HAVE THOUGHT OF COUNTERMEASURES BEFORE IT GOT TO THAT POINT
MASTER, I HAVE THOUGHT ABOUT IT.
WELL, IT'S ALL "WHAT IF", OF COURSE.
THEN, IF WE ARE TALKING ABOUT "WHAT IF" SCENARIOS,
OH? LET'S HEAR THEM.
LET ME ADD TWO CONDI-TIONS OF MY OWN.

FIRST, THE DISTANCE NOT BEING 20M, BUT 300M.
AND THE SAME TYPE OF GUN AS MASTER'S DRAGON LANCE. FANCY FANTASY NAME FOR ANTI-ARMOR GUN
WITH THOSE TWO,
I WILL BE ABLE TO DEFEND EVERYONE BY MYSELF.

IS THAT SO...
IN THAT CASE, USE YOUR SKILL TO PROVE IT.






ABOUT 300 METERS WITH NO WIND...
THE TARGET IS THAT BIG. HITTING IT SHOULD BE EASY.
BUT IF THE SCENARIO IS "DEFENDING MY COMRADES FROM A CHARGING SAURO-POSEIDON"...
SHE'LL HAVE TO KILL IT WITH ONE PERFECT SHOT.

NO MATTER HOW LAX I GRADE THIS, MANAMI, I WON'T LET YOU PASS UNLESS YOU TAKE IT DOWN WITH AT MOST TWO SHOTS.
CALM DOWN...
WAIT UNTIL IT STOPS MOVING, AND...
UNLIKE THE SCENARIO, I CAN TAKE MY TIME AND AIM.
NOW!
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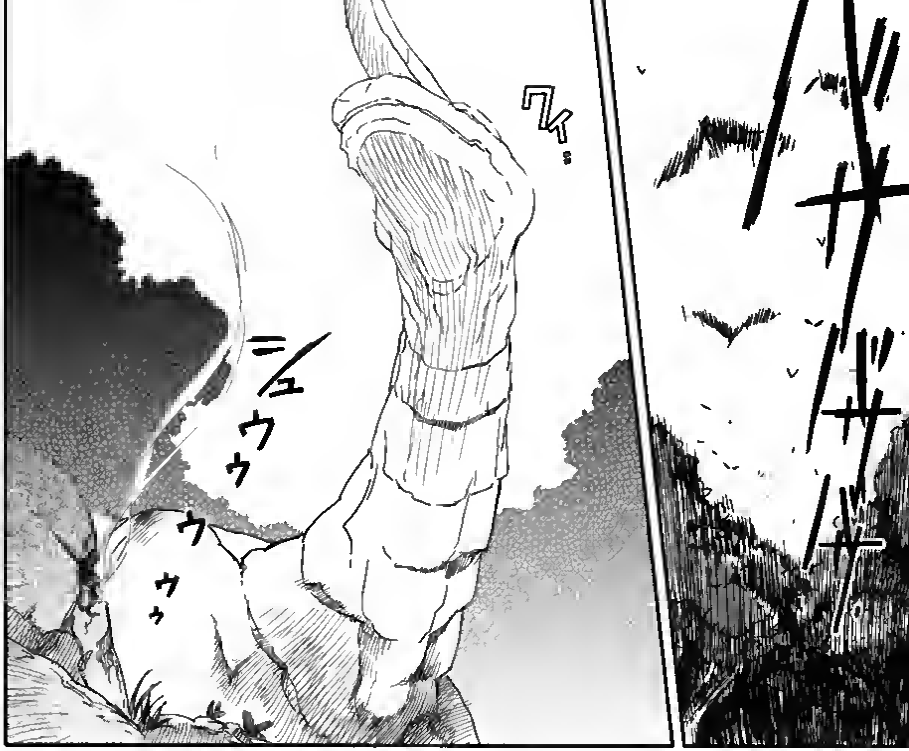
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WHAT IN THE!! DON'T JUST MOVE ALL OF A SUDDEN!!
BUT IT DOESN'T SEEM TO HAVE NOTICED US, SO I NEED TO HURRY UP AND READY THE SECOND SHOT...!
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HM? WAIT A SECOND!
THAT SAURO-POSEIDON'S MOVEMENT WAS DEFINITELY IN REACTION TO BEING WARY ABOUT SOMETHING IN IT'S SURROUNDINGS...
WHAT DOES THE STRONGEST MONSTER ON THE SECOND FLOOR HAVE TO BE WARY ABOUT!?
EVERYONE, WE'RE GOING IN! 200 METERS TO THE LEFT OF THE SAURO-POSEIDON—!
THAT'S...!
!

PANT
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DAMMIT, YOU'RE PERSIS-TENT...!

UGH.
I'M GOING TO GET HIT...!

!?
WE'LL HANDLE THE ENEMIES, SHINON! YOU MAKE SURE PLUM IS OKAY!
LEAVE IT TO ME!

DON'T TALK, PLUM.
I'LL START TREATING YOU IMME-DIATELY...!
ACK...
SHINON...?
SHE SEEMS TO HAVE LOST A LOT OF BLOOD
SHE HAS DEEP CUTS ON HER UPPER FOREARM AND TORSO

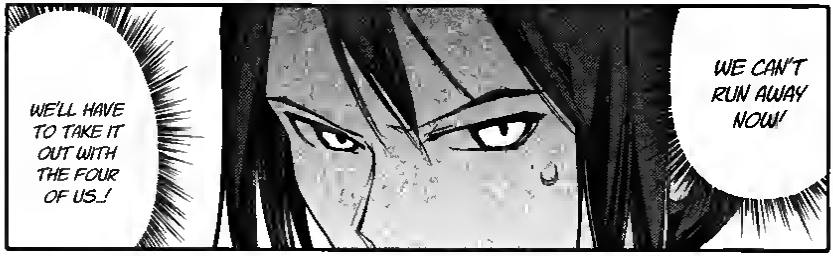
CLAUDE!
I'VE NEVER SEEN MONSTERS LIKE THESE BEFORE, BUT COULD THEY BE!?
YEAH, THERE'S NO MISTAKING IT!

THESE GUYS ARE FROM THE THIRD STRATUM!!

BUT THERE SEEMS TO BE TOO MANY OF..
TSK!

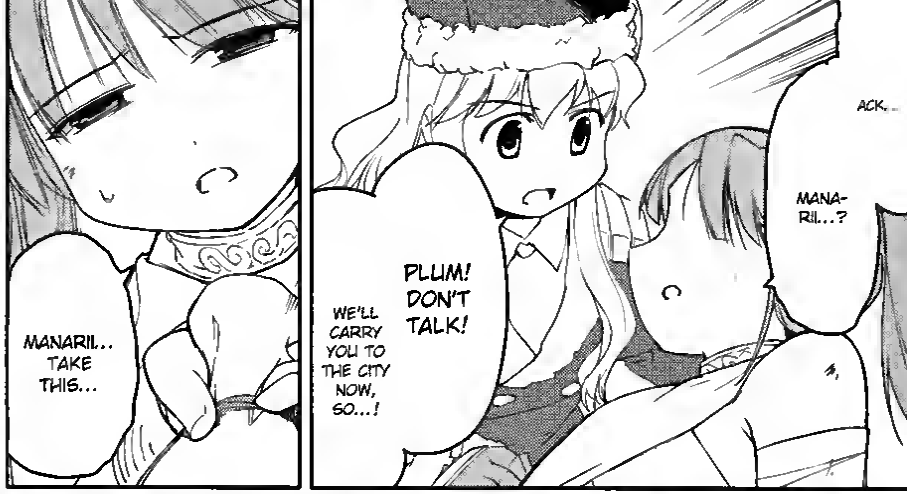
I COMMAND THEE, CEASE THY DEEDS.
FEAR ME.
WHISTLE
I'LL LEAVE THE REST TO YOU.
WITH THIS, IT SEEMS IT ENDED FAIRLY...
NOW ALL THAT'S LEFT IS TO TURN THEM INTO FILETS.

THE SAUROPOSEIDON FROM BEFORE IS CHARGING IN!!
THIS IS BAD!


WE'LL HAVE TO TAKE IT OUT WITH THE FOUR OF US..!
WE CAN'T RUN AWAY NOW!

WAIT, CLAUDE.
IT'S ALRIGHT.

THE BLEED-ING HAS STOPPED.
BUT IF WE DON'T CARRY HER TO AN HERBAL BATH HOUSE SOON...


MANARIL... TAKE THIS...
WE'LL CARRY YOU TO THE CITY NOW, SO...!
PLUM! DON'T TALK!
MANA-RIL...?
ACK...

THIS IS...
THE MAP USED BY PLUM'S GUILD...!

SAVE EVERYONE IN THE EXPEDI-TION UNIT...!
PLEASE... MANA-RIL...
ROKKA AND EV-ERYONE ...

ONE TIME SCANS BECAUSE WE KEPT SAYING 1 MORE TIME

ONE TIME SCANS!

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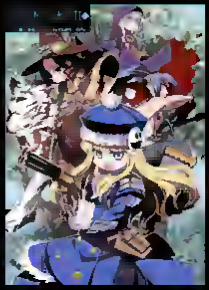

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SAKAIJU NO MEIKYUU
THE THIRD HIERARCHY
IT CAME.
EPISODE 9 DEEP SNOW
WE CAN'T MOVE IN THIS WEATHER.
I WONDER IF PLUM MADE IT OUT SAFELY.
WE HAVE NO CHOICE, WE HAVE TO MOVE CAREFULLY.
WE'RE LUCKY ALL THAT MONSTER DID WAS RUNWAY.
PLUM RUNS FAST,

PLUS SHE HAS LUCK.
SHE'S PROBABLY SAFE.
YOU'RE RIGHT.
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HEY, DO YOU THINK THOSE GUYS FROM FRESUBERG KILLED THAT MONSTER?

I DON'T KNOW
THEY SAID ITS UNREASONABLE IF THEY ARE STUCK BUT TRY TO GO THROUGH.
THAT'S WHY I THINK THEY ARE SAFE BUT I'M NOT SURE IF THEY KILLED IT.

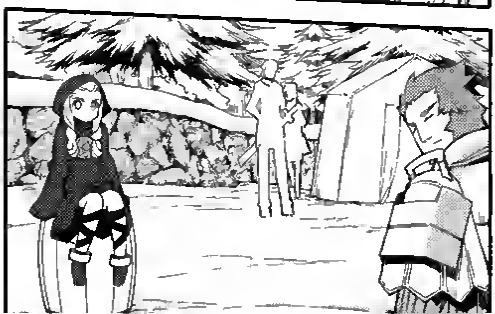
UMMM. ....
THIS HAS BECOME A DARK CONVERSATION.
FRESUBERG IS THE STRONGEST GUILD IN BOTH NAME AND STRENGTH WITH HIGH REGARDS
IF THEY DON'T KILL IT THEN WHAT WILL HAPPEN.

A FEW DAYS AGO
AH
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE COME TO THE THIRD STRATUM BUT IT'S AMAZING RIGHT.
I DO HATE IT.
IT'S COLD AND THE MONSTERS ARE BIG AND STRONG.
I THOUGHT YOU HATED THE THIRD STRATUM
I'M SURPRISED.

BUT I LIKE THE SCENERY.
DIDN'T YOU WANT TO AVOID DANGER?
MORE OR LESS
BESIDES I'M SURPRISED YOU TOOK THIS REQUEST.
BUT THIS IS A SEARCH AND RESCUE REQUEST.
ALTHOUGH FIGHTING ISN'T REALLY OUR SPECIALTY.
BESIDES I TRUST IN Y'ALL'S ABILITY.

THEN LET'S LOOK FOR AND PICK A SPECIALIST.

OH
LOOK THEIR IT IS.

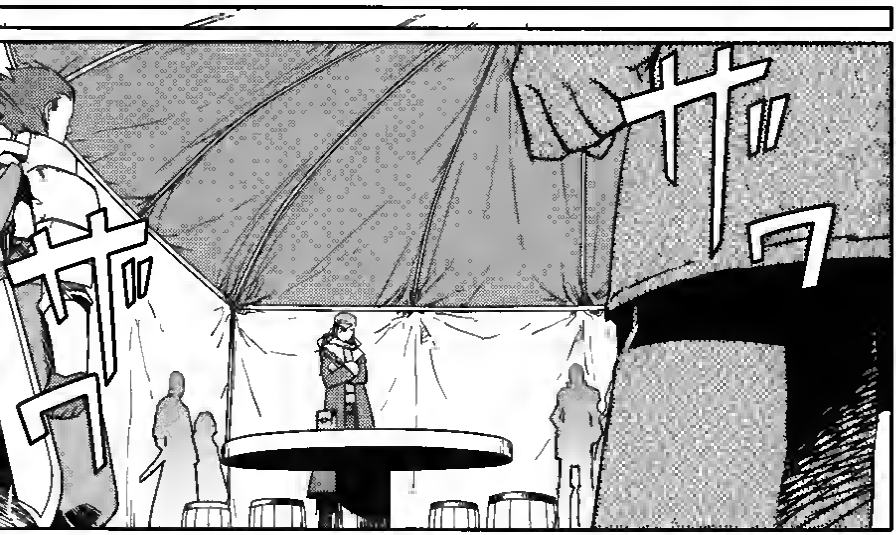


THAT'S THE SEARCH CORPS BASE RIGHT.

I'VE HEARD THEIR ARE QUITE A FEW GUILDS HERE.
BUT I DIDN'T EXPECT THIS MUCH TO BE HERE.
HEY SERON
ISN'T THAT GUY OVER THERE A GUNNER
YES HE IS CALLED THE STRONGEST HIGHER GUARD AND LEADER OF THE HIGH RANKED GUILD FRESUBERG.
HE HAS SELGRIM EYES RIGHT.

YOU GUYS ARE FROM THE GREY HAWK GUILD RIGHT?
IT'S OKAY.
YES
WERE YOU EXPECTING US?
I AM FRE-SLIBERGS SELGRIM.
THIS TIME I WILL BECOME THE LAST LEADER OF THE SEARCH CORPS.
I'M ROKA FROM GREY HAWK.
I WILL BE RELYING ON YOU GUYS.
MORE OR LESS.
WELL WELCOME TO THE SECOND SEARCH CORPS BASE CAMP

I'LL BRING YALL TO THE HEADQUARTERS THEN I'LL SHOW YOU WHERE THE TENTS ARE
TO LET THE STRATEGY MEETING BEGIN.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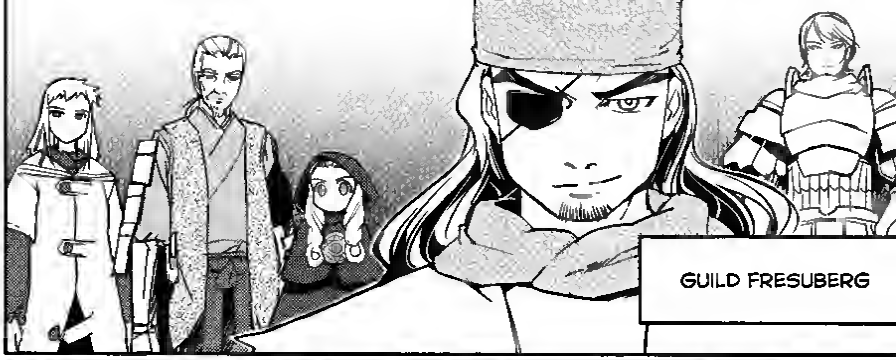
I THOUGHT IT WAS A PRETTY BIG CAMP,
BUT IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE IT WHEN EVERYONE IS HERE.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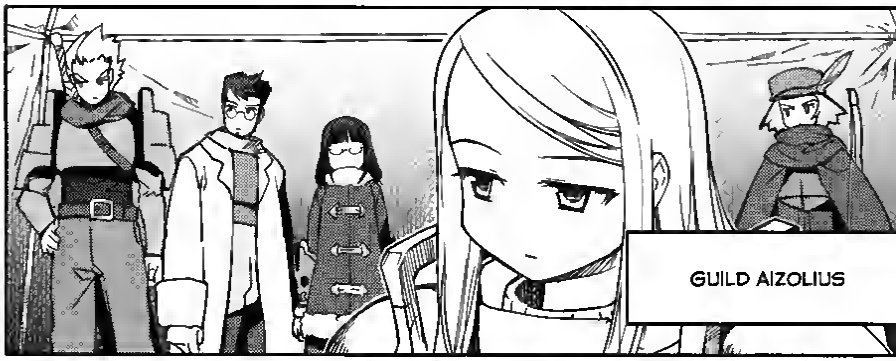
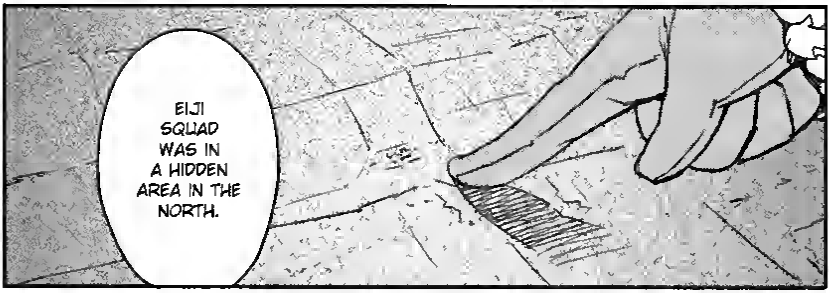
GUILD IWAFUNE


GUILD AIZOLIUS

GUILD SELZINIA

GUILD GREY HAWK
GOOD EVERY-ONE'S HERE.
FIRST I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE MYSELF BUT
ABOUT 4 DAYS AGO 40 PEOPLE FROM EIJI SQUAD HAVE DISAP-PEARED.
HONESTY IT'S DISAPPOINT-ING THAT WE DON'T HAVE TIME
I WOULD IN-TRODUCE MY SELF ON THE WAY TO THE SEARCH BUT WE HAVE TO HURRY AND FIND THE CRIMINAL.
OUR COMRADES THINK THEY HAD RATIONS SHORT-ENED TO 5 DAYS INSTEAD OF 8.

FIRST LOOK AT THIS MAP.
THIS MAP WAS FROM OYAKEMI-YAN
I HAVE ADDED SOME WRITINGS.


EIJI SQUAD WAS IN A HIDDEN AREA IN THE NORTH.

I DON'T KNOW WHY BUT WE DID NOT KNOW THIS PLACE EVEN EXISTED BUT OYAKEMIYA KNEW WHERE IT WAS
EIJI SQUAD VANISHED WHILE EXPLORING AROUND THIS AREA.

IS WHAT YOU WERE TRYING TO SAY

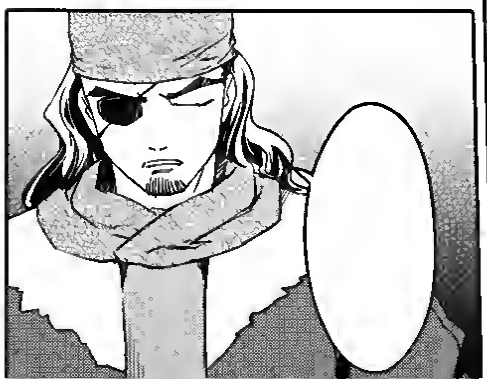
BASICALLY THIS PLACE IS.....
SINCE 40 PEOPLE FROM EIJI SQUADS DISAPPEARED THERE IS PROBABLY A LOT OF DANGEROUS MONSTERS THERE

EXACTLY.
THEY PROBABLY ENCOUNTERED A UN IDENTIFIED MONSTER
BASED ON THE RISK
THIS TIME I HAVE SPLIT THIS GUILD INTO 3 SQUADS.
FIRST AZORIUSU AND SEREZUNIA WILL EXPLORE THE WEST SIDE OF THE HIDDEN AREA.
OK.
NO OBJECTIONS HERE

4 PEOPLE FROM IWAFUNE WILL CONTACT EIJI SQUADS COMRADES AND BACK UP AND PROTECT THE BASE TOGETHER.
UNDERSTOOD

AND LASTLY ....

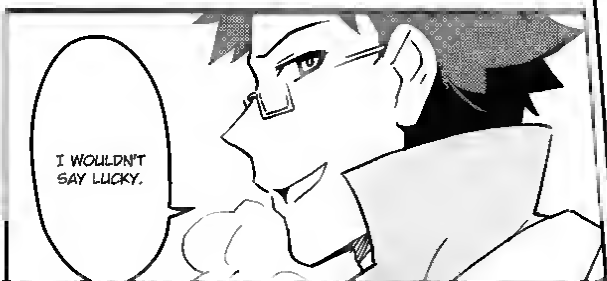
3 PEOPLE FROM GREY HAWK WILL COME WITH US FRESUBERG AND SEARCH THE EAST.



THIS IS A SEARCH AND RESCUE MISSION WE WILL NOT SUBDUE THIS UNIDENTIFIED MONSTER.
DON'T OVER DO IT
BALANCE IT OUT ONE NEEDS HELP TWO AREN'T DEAD.
AHH!

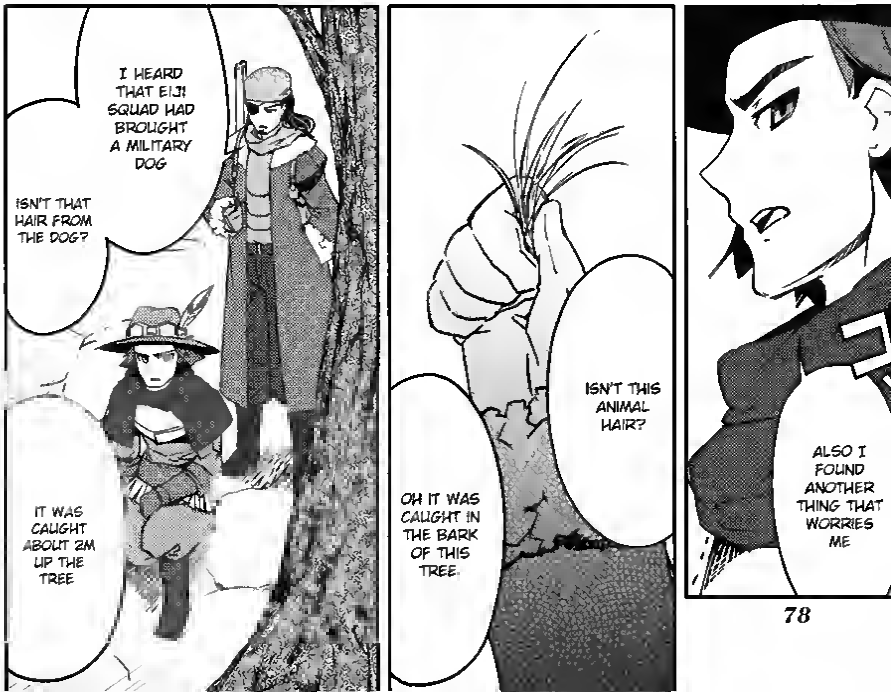
HEY SERON
FRESLIBERG ARE IN IN THE SAME TEAM AS US AREN'T WE LUCKY

WE THOUGHT THIS AREA OF THE THIRD STRATUM WOULD BE EXHAUSTING TO SEARCH BUT TO THINK THERE WAS SUCH AN AREA.


I WOULDN'T SAY LUCKY.

FRESUBERG DOESN'T HAVE ANY RANGERS WITH INFILTRATION SKILLS
THE CORPS SPLIT INTO THINGS THEY'RE FAMILIAR WITH TO SEARCH FOR THE VICTIM
I SEE THAT MAKES SENSE
ROKA
DID YOU FIND SOME-THING?
SELGRIM LOOK AT THIS

I THINK THE SHOES ARE MADE OUT OF SPIKES, THERE'S PROBABLY SCARS TOO
SO IT'S NOT AN ANIMAL THAT BROKE IT.
I SEE
IT'S MOST LIKELY EIJI SQUAD.
THE STOMP FOLDED IT


I HEARD THAT EIJI SQUAD HAD BROUGHT A MILITARY DOG
ISN'T THAT HAIR FROM THE DOG?
IT WAS CAUGHT ABOUT 2M UP THE TREE
ISN'T THIS ANIMAL HAIR?
OH IT WAS CAUGHT IN THE BARK OF THIS TREE.
ALSO I FOUND ANOTHER THING THAT WORRIES ME

SO BASICALLY EIJI SQUAD HAS GIVEN THE POST TO SOME BEHE-MOTH
THAT POSSIBILITY IS HIGH
NOW LET'S GO
AH...
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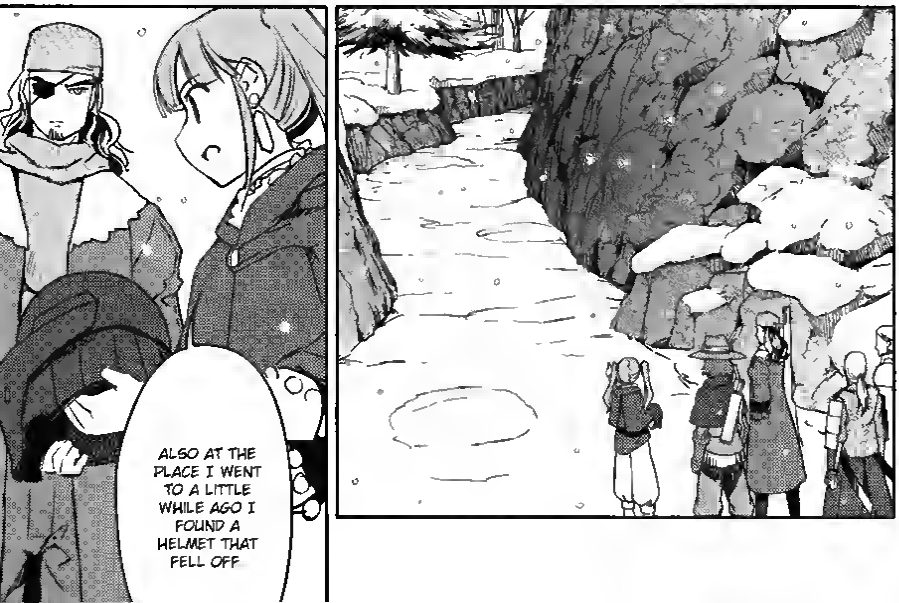
THIS IS...
HOR-RIBLE

EVERY CORPSE HAS BEEN TORN UP WITH SHARP CLAWS.
THEY MOST LIKELY GOT KILLED INSTANTLY WITHOUT ANY SUFFERING.
YES UNDER-STOOD.
SAKONJI I'M SORRY BUT COUNT THE NUMBER OF BODY'S.
WHAT DO YOU THINK ROGA?
IT HAS BECOME QUITE A GUESS BUT MOST LIKELY...

WHEN EIJI SQUAD ENTERED THIS PIT THEY WERE ATTACKED FROM BEHIND BY THE UNKNOWN MONSTER.
THAT IS WHY EVERYONE WAS WIPED OUT
THEIR ESCAPE WAS BLOCKED BY THE STEEP TERRAIN
THE SITUATION WITH THE CORPSE IS BAD, I GUESS IT MIXES BUT
THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CORPSES ARE 39.
SELGRIM

HEY EVERYONE COME LISTEN TO THIS.
THERE'S A TRAIL OF FOOT PRINTS OVER HERE.
SO BASICALLY YOU'RE SAYING THERE MIGHT BE ONE PERSON WHO RAN TO SAFETY
THAT'S IF IT DIDN'T EAT THE ARMOUR AS WELL.


ALSO AT THE PLACE I WENT TO A LITTLE WHILE AGO I FOUND A HELMET THAT FELL OFF

THE FOOTPRINTS IN THE SNOW ARE SHALLOW IT MUST'VE BEEN TODAY.
NO IT'S STRANGE,
IN OTHER WORDS YOU'RE SAYING THE PERSON RAN AWAY FROM EIJI SQUAD BECAUSE THE MONSTER WAS CHASING HIM.
NOW THAT I'VE GRASPED THE SITUATION WE SHOULD GO.
4 DAYS AGO THIS IS WHERE EIJI SQUAD WAS ATTACKED AND THE GUY WHO ATTACKED THEM IS ALIVE BECAUSE HE WAS CHASED BY THE MONSTER TODAY
I'M NOT GOING TO ABANDON SOMEONE WHO MIGHT BE ALIVE.
MAKE SURE TO TRACK IT.

IT'S GETTING DARK AROUND US
I WONDER WHAT THIS BAD FEELING IS

SELGRIM.
THIS BRACE IS LIKE THE HELMET THAT FELL WITH THREE CLAW MARKS IN IT.
HE THREW AWAY THE EQUIPMENT THAT WAS GETTING IN THE WAY OF HIS RUNNING
THIS TIME IT'S A FOREARM.

EVERYONE LISTEN.
I KNOW WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF A SEARCH BUT TODAY LETS START OVER.
THERE ARE MANY THINGS I DON'T UNDERSTAND.
WHEN WE RETURN TO BASE CAMP WE WILL SEARCH AGAIN WITH THE OTHER GUILDS TOMORROW.
I AGREE WITH YOU, I FEEL A BAD PRESENCE.
SOON THE SUNSET WILL COME.
LOOK OVER THERE.
WAIT SELGRIM!

WAIT IT'S A BIT STRANGE THAT EIJI CORPSE.
THAT LOOKS LIKE.....
HE HAS ELAPSED AFTER BEING DEAD FOR A FEW DAYS.

DAMMIT!
THAT MONSTER USED CORPSES TO LURE US HERE

THIS IS A HUNTING GROUND!
WE FRESUBERG WILL BE A DECOY AND BUY YOU TIME.
YOU THREE RUN TO BASE AND GET HELP.
ROKA!
I WILL NOT ABAN-DON THEM
DON'T WORRY
BUT!

GOO!
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OK YOU GUYS
WHEN THOSE 3 SAFELY RUN AWAY I WILL BE ABLE TO SHOOT THE NEXT HAND.
BUY THEM TIME FOR THE PRIDE OF FRESU-BERG.

WE'VE TRAPPED THAT MONSTER, NOW LET'S TEACH IT HOW TOUGH IT'S PREY REALLY ARE.
OHH
F!!!
YOU'VE WOKEN UP PRIM.
FU...

WHERE IS THIS?
DON'T WORRY SOON WE WILL BE IN HIGH RAGAADO..
WHAT ABOUT THE OTHERS
THEY ARE....
SO THIS IS THE 3RD STRATUM ..

ONE TIME SCANS BECAUSE WE AIN'T SAYING I MORE TIME

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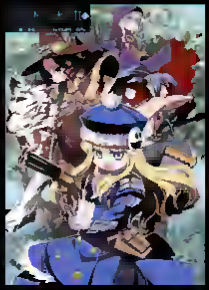

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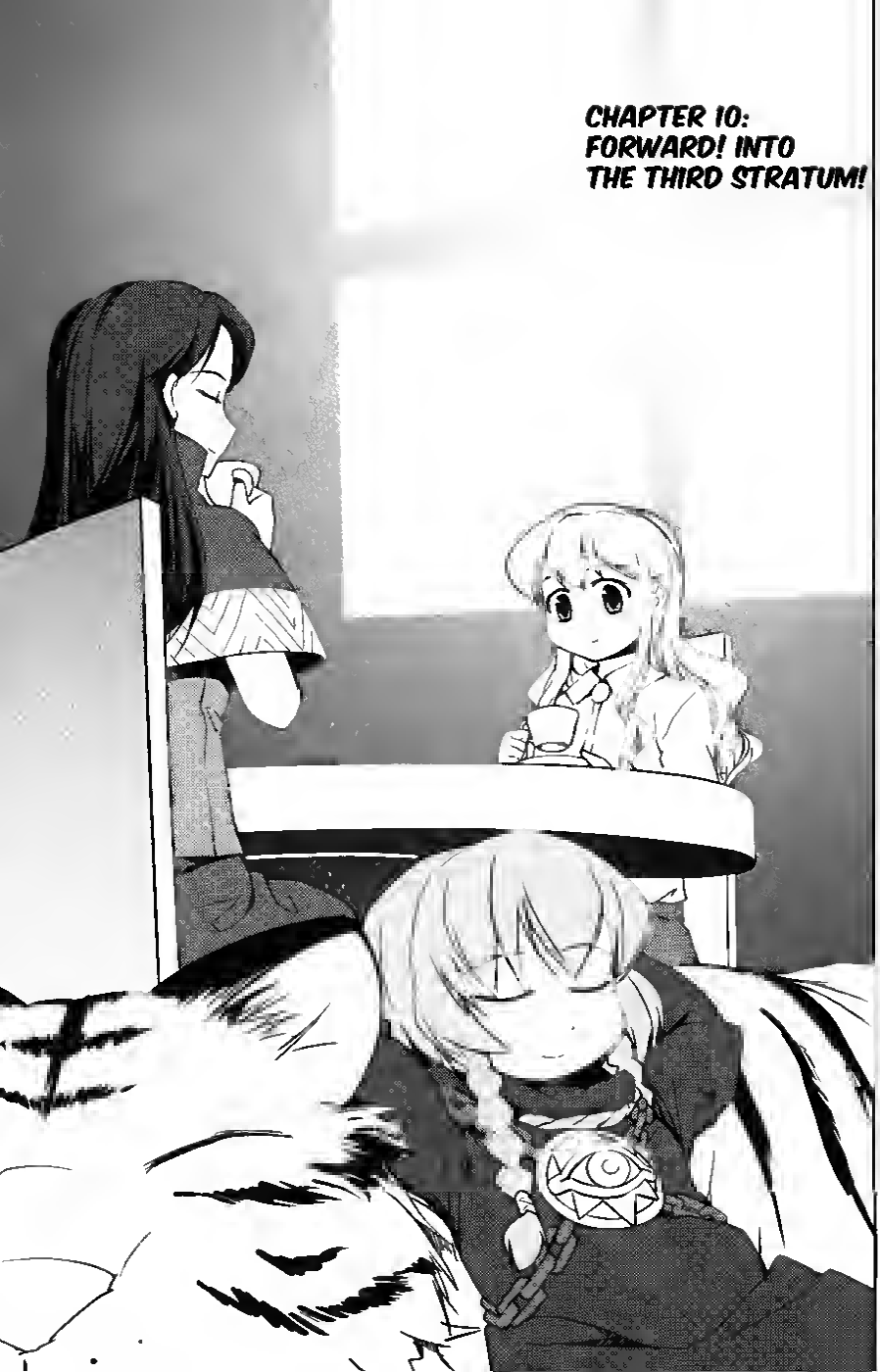
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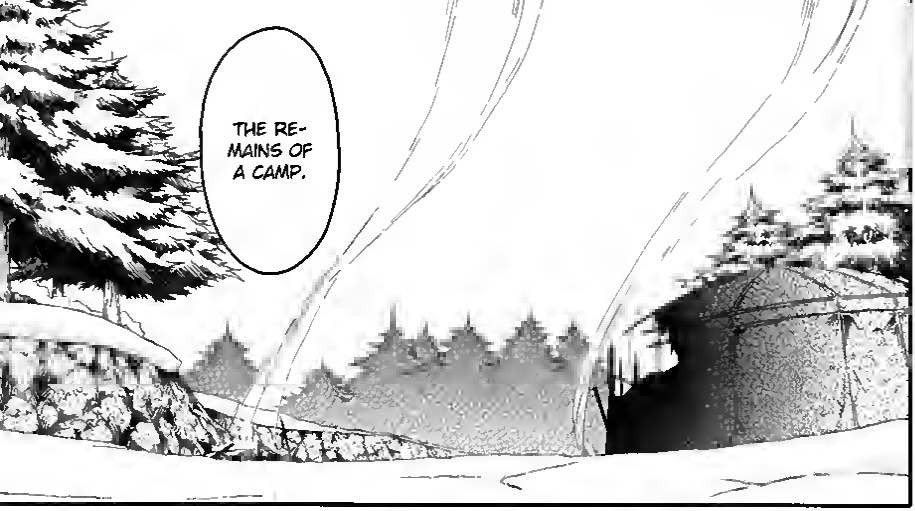
THE THIRD STRATUM!

THE THIRD FOREST OF THE YGGDRASIL - A WORLD OF PERPETUAL ICE AND SNOW
YGGDRASIL LABYRINTH - THIRD STRATUM
ALSO KNOWN AS: SIX-BLADED ICE JUNGLE
LOOK!
ISN'T THAT IT? THE CAMPSITE OF THE EXPEDITION THAT PLUM WAS TALKING ABOUT!
YEAH, I'M AFRAID IT IS. .
BUT THIS IS MORE LIKE...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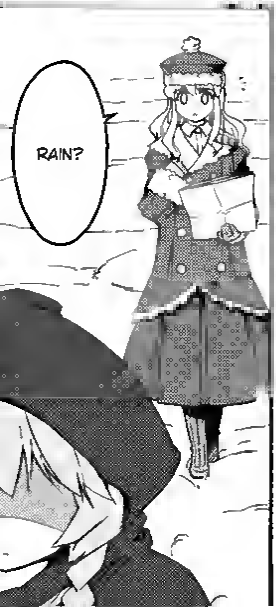
RAIN?

HOPE EVERYONE EVACUATED SAFELY...
I WONDER IF THIS WAS ALSO CAUSED BY THE MAGICAL BEAST
PLUM DID MENTION IT, BUT IT'S WORSE THAN I IMAGINED

HEY MANA-RII!
HEY..
CAN YOU COME HERE FOR A SECOND?
I WANT TO SHOW YOU SOME-THING

SO WHAT WAS IT YOU WANTED TO SHOW ME?
So even Claude feels cold some-times
This stra-tum is just too cold
WELL, I APPRO-PRIATED IT FROM THE STUFF THAT WAS LEFT BEHIND.
OH, THIS?
CLAUDE, THAT JACKET ...?

THIS.
WHA...
WHAT IS THIS!?

WELL, THE POOR DUDE INSIDE IS PROBABLY A SOLDIER WHO WAS HELPING THE EXPEDITION...
JUDGING FROM THE SITUATION, IT'S PROBABLY DUE TO THE MAGICAL BEAST THAT ATTACKED, BUT...
THE PROBLEM IS, WHO DID THIS AND HOW THEY DID IT.
THIS ICE BLOCK LOOKS REAL SIMILAR TO THAT THING THAT YOU USED THE OTHER TIME...
...THE FREEZING SHOT.
BUT, A GUNNER'S SPELL-INFUSED BULLET, OR EVEN A PROFESSIONAL ALCHEMIST WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO MAKE SUCH A THING..
WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE THERE HAVE BEEN SIGHTINGS OF MAGICAL BEASTS THAT CAN CAST SPELLS.

DON'T MAKE SUCH A FACE.
WHAT?
THERE'S GOOD NEWS AS WELL.
THERE WEREN'T ANY CARCASSES THAT LOOKED LIKE ROKA OR CELON.
NOR WERE THERE ENOUGH TO ACCOUNT FOR THE HUGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN GUARDING THIS PLACE
I WONDER IF WE CAN RESCUE THEM...
WEREN'T THEY ENTRUSTED TO YOU?
TOGETHER WITH THAT MAP, AND...

MANARI...
YOU'RE REALLY GOING?
I'LL BE FINE. I WON'T OVERDO MYSELF.
AND I THINK WE CAN OBTAIN THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT FROM THE CAMPSITE THAT PLUM TOLD US.

MANARI!
WHAT.
TAKE THAT.
YOU'LL NEED THAT ON THE THIRD STRATUM.

YOU WORRYING ABOUT ME? 100 YEARS EARLY FOR THAT.
IN FACT, THAT LONG THING WILL JUST BE A HINDRANCE TO CARRYING THIS GIRL BACK DOWN
BUT, WITHOUT THIS GUN...
MASTER. .
THAT GRADUATION TEST YOU DID JUST NOW ...
OH YEAH,
I FORGOT TO MENTION

ER... THAT WAS, YOU KNOW .
NEVERMIND, I'LL TELL YOU THE RESULT WHEN YOU COME BACK TO THE CITY
MANARI, YOU BETTER ALL COME BACK TOGETHER
YES!

THEY'RE CHARGING IN AGAIN!

SEI!
WUOOH!
SORRY! ONE WENT THROUGH!
SHIT!

GUH!?
CELON, HOLD IT THERE!
LEAVE IT TO ME!
ARIA!

CELON, ARE YOU ALRIGHT!?
YES, THANKS FOR THE HELP
ARIA, DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN!
THEY'RE STILL ALIVE!

FWUNN!
NO NO, I SHOULD BE THE ONE SAYING THAT.
TH... THANKS ...
THEY MUST BE UNDER THE MAGICAL BEAST'S CONTROL...
IN ANY CASE.
THE FOREST WOLVES HERE SURE ARE ABNORMALLY STUBBORN.
IT ALSO DOESN'T SEEM LIKE A COINCIDENCE THAT WE WERE ATTACKED RIGHT AFTER ESCAPING FROM THE MAGICAL BEAST INTO THIS CAVE.

TO CHARGE OUT IS HELL, BUT TO HOLD OUR GROUND IS HELL TOO...
ROKA AND CLAY, RETREAT BACK AND PREPARE TO ESCAPE FROM THIS PLACE!
ONCE THE CURRENT WAVE WEAKENS.
WE WILL CHARGE WITH ALL OUR MIGHT!
AND BREAK OUT OF THEIR TERRI-TORY!
WOO OHH!

GOT IT!
FWUNN!
SORRY FOR DRAGGING YOU AND ROKA INTO THIS MESS
GETTING CHASED AROUND BY BEASTS RIGHT AFTER RECONVEN-ING AND STUFF.

HEY GAWEIN, YOU STILL HAVE SOME STRENGTH LEFT IN YOU?
ARIA, AND CELON!?
IS ANYONE INJURED?
EVERYONE, LET'S SWITCH THE VAN-GUARDS AROUND!
HAH! I CAN GO ON FOR DAYS RESIST-ING THESE WEAKLINGS!
...IS WHAT I WOULD WANT TO SAY, BUT...
WOAH!
MAN, I'M REALLY HOPING FOR SOMETHING TO CHANGE SOON!
TO BE HONEST, MY SWORD AND SHIELD ARE STARTING TO FEEL HEAVY.

SHOULD WE TRY TO CHARGE OUT WHILE WE STILL HAVE STRENGTH?
WHAT TO DO?
ARIA AND CELON ARE NOT ENOUGH TO FILL UP FOR GAWEIN.
AND ONE OF THEM'S ALREADY LOST CONSCIOUSNESS.
BUT WE HAVE TWO SERIOUS CASUALTIES TO CARRY OUT...
WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THE MAGICAL BEAST MAY BE WAITING FOR US.
AND EVEN IF WE FORTUNATELY GET THROUGH...

IF IT WERE JUST YOU GUYS, YOU PROBABLY WOULD'VE ESCAPED LONG AGO...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING.
IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT RELATIONS WITH THAT BEAST, WE'VE PROBABLY BEEN INVOLVED LONGER.
WE WON'T LET YOU KEEP SUCH A BEAST ALL FOR YOURSELF!
HEY CELON,
IF WE ALL GET BACK TO HIGH LAGAARD SAFELY...

WHAT DO YOU THREE SAY ABOUT ALL JOINING OUR GUILD?
RIGHT, IZUNA?
HAHA! THAT'S A BRILLIANT IDEA, ARIA!
YOU GUYS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!
IF NOT, WE CAN EVEN JOIN YOUR GUILD!
YEAH.

A GUILD THAT GOT THROUGH THIS DISASTROUS SITUATION?
THAT'S AN INTERESTING IDEA.
WE WOULD REALLY LOVE TO HAVE THAT...
WHAT DO YOU THINK, ROKA?
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IZUNA! THEIR ATTACKS ARE WEAKENING!
IF WE WANT TO CHARGE, IT SHOULD BE NOW!
OKAY!
EVERYONE, THIS IS THE TIME!
WE WILL PUSH THROUGH WITH ALL WE HAVE!

WOO OOHH HH!
WE DID IT!
THAT MONSTER ISN'T ANY-WHERE IN SIGHT AS WELL!

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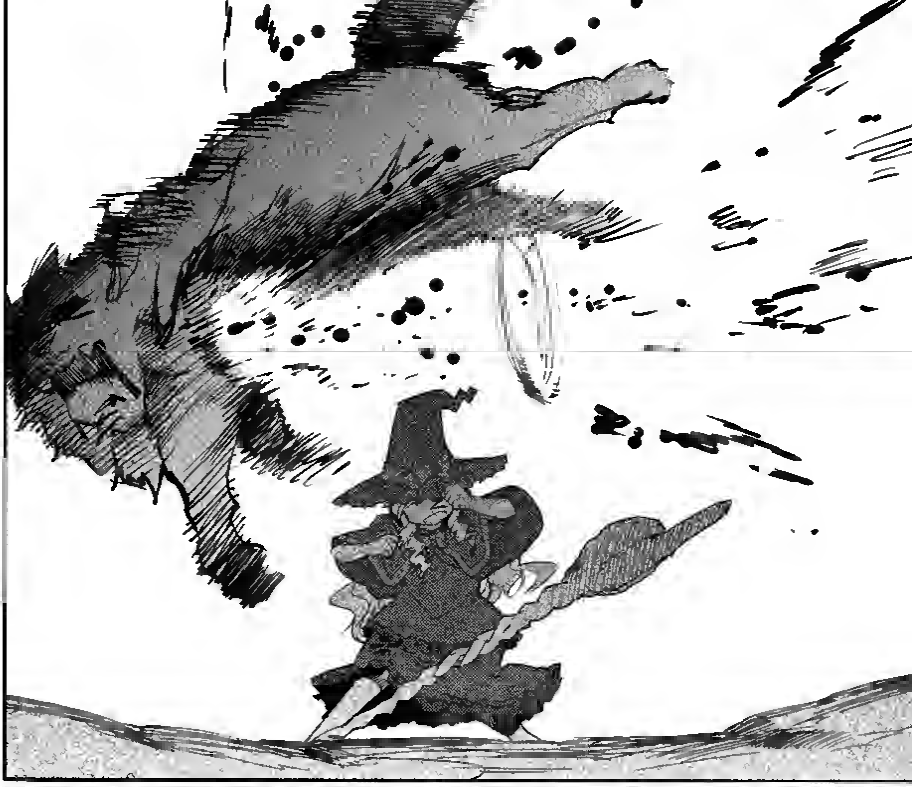
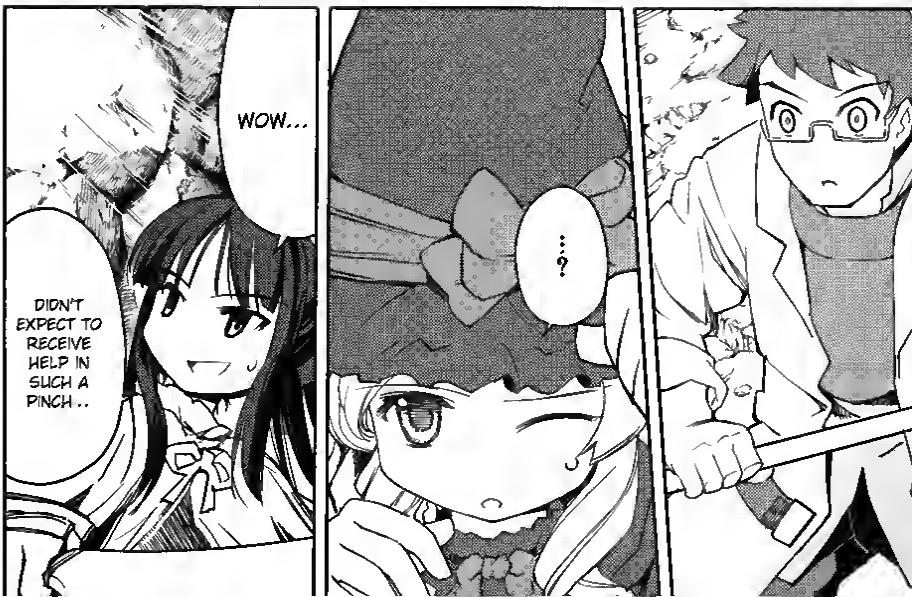
IF WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ESCAPE..
ARIA! WATCH OUT!
WHAT..?




WOW...
DIDN'T EXPECT TO RECEIVE HELP IN SUCH A PINCH..
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CLAUDE AND LUKE, CHARGE IN FROM THERE!
I'LL SUP-PORT FROM HERE.
LET'S GO, LUKE!
GOT IT!
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GRRRR!
SEI!
GYAAN!
YOU GUYS, RUN TO THE EAST!
THERE'S NICE RUINS PERFECT FOR FEND-ING THEM OFF!
GOT IT! THANKS FOR THE HELP!

CLAUDE!
DIDN'T EXPECT YOU GUYS TO COME!
YOU BETTER THANK PLUM!
SHE WAS RUNNING AROUND ALONE IN THE LABYRINTH LOOKING FOR HELP!
PLUM...! IS SHE SAFE?
DON'T WORRY! SHE SHOULD WELL BE IN HIGH LAGAARD BY NOW!
GRRR.. GRAH!
SHIT, THEY'RE STICKING CLOSE!

AMAZ-
ING...
ACCU-
RATELY
HITTING
THE VITAL
POINTS
FROM SUCH
A DISTANCE!
PHEW...

IS.. IS IT LETTING US GO?
NAH, HE'S NOT THAT KIND...
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EARTH-QUAKE?
NO...
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THIS SOUND... COULD IT BE...?
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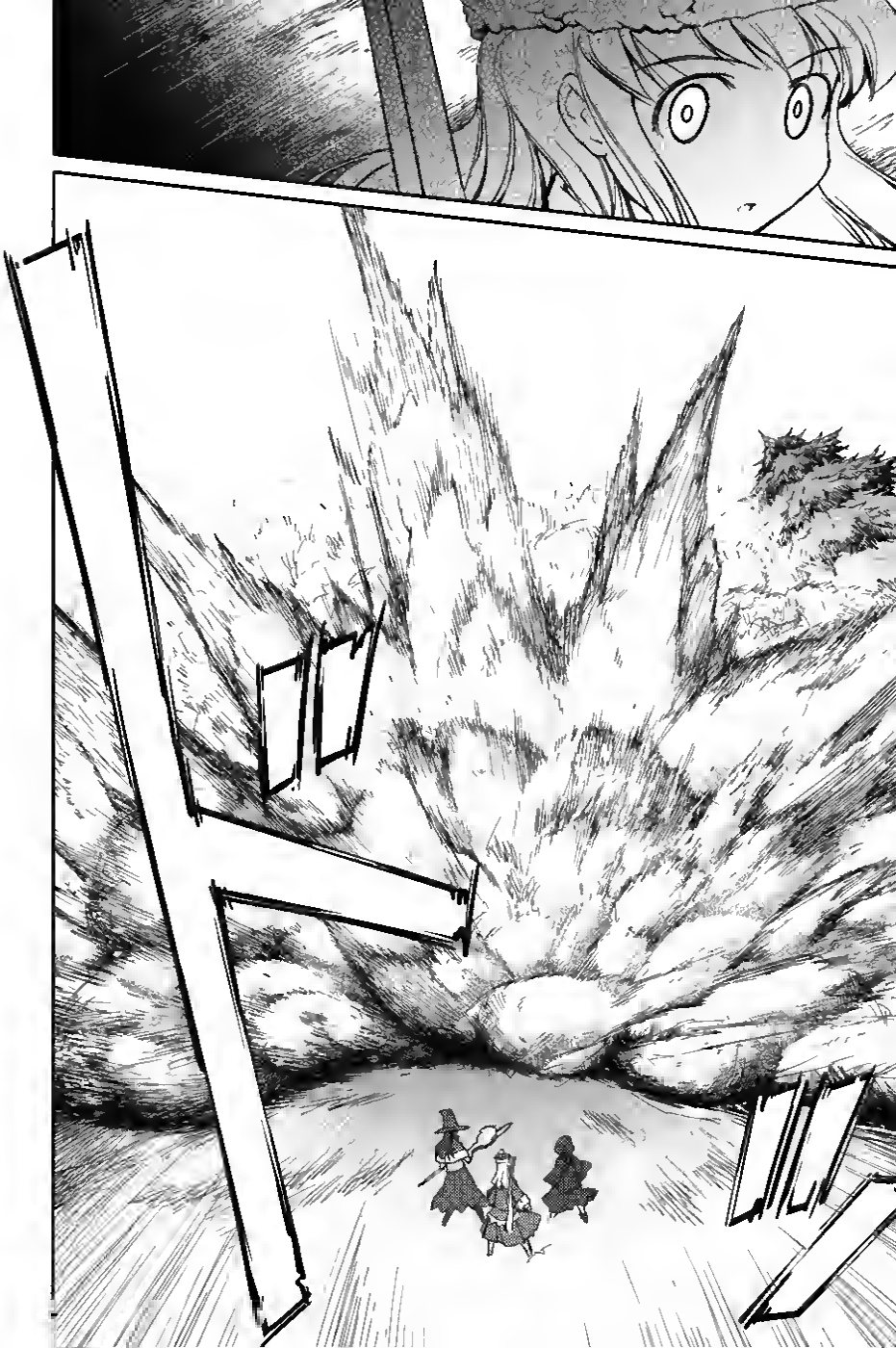

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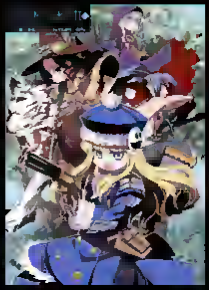

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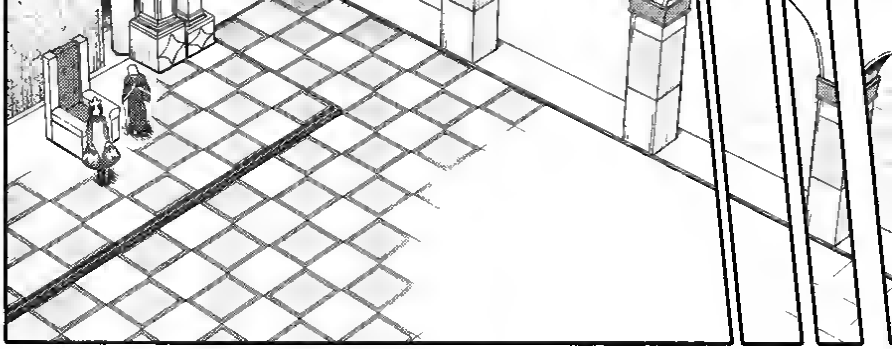
IMPERIAL PALACE, HIGH LAGAARD
CHAPTER 11 — LONE SHADOW IN THE SNOW
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, ICHIKA.
I HEARD FROM THE PEOPLE IN HRAESVELGR THAT YOU'VE RETIRED?

I JUST HAPPENED TO BE IN HIGH-LAGAARD IN THE LABYRINTH FOR SOME PERSONAL REASONS.
YES, I DID RETIRE.
IN ANY CASE, PRINCESS,
I DIDN'T EXPECT YOU TO HAVE RE-MEMBERED WHO I AM.
OH?
HOW CAN I FORGET THE MEMBERS OF THE GUILD WHO ACCOMPLISHED THAT DANGEROUS TASK OF BRINGING THE RAW MATERIALS FOR MY DAD'S MEDICINE FROM THE DEPTHS OF A DRAGON'S NEST?
YOU ARE, ESSENTIALLY, OUR COUNTRY'S SAVIOR
SO, ICHIKA,
I HEARD THAT YOU CAME TODAY WITH AN IMPORTANT AND URGENT MATTER...

THE EXPEDITION!?
I AM HERE TO REPORT ON THE CURRENT STATE OF THE EXPEDITION SENT BY THE IMPERIAL PALACE AND THE DANGER THAT HIGH LAGAARD MAY BE IN
YES.
YOU KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT THE STATE OF THE EXPEDITION?
ALSO, WHAT IS THIS OMINOUS THING ABOUT HIGH LAGAARD IN DANGER?
W... WIPED OUT!?
WHAT INFORMATION DO YOU HAVE?
T... THEN YOU MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT IMPENDING DANGER TO HIGH LAGAARD, DIDN'T YOU?
THE EXPEDITION... HAS PROBABLY BEEN WIPED OUT.

YESTERDAY I RESCUED A MEMBER FROM THE EXPEDITION BY CHANCE AND I HEARD THIS FROM HIM SECONDHAND, SO I CANNOT BE SURE,
BUT IT SEEMS LIKE THE EXPEDITION MET <THE BLIZZARD BEAST>
THE BLIZZARD BEAST...
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE HEARD OF THAT BEAST.
AND THAT IS THE DANGER THAT MAY BEFALL HIGH LAGGARD?
THAT BEAST APPEARED JUST 4 YEARS AGO IN THE FIRST STRATUM, AT A LOCATION VERY CLOSE TO THE ENTRANCE.

AN ADVEN-TURER?
NOT SOMEONE FROM YOUR GUILD?
AT THAT TIME, A BRAVE ADVEN-TURER MANAGED TO CHASE THE BEAST BACK IN EXCHANGE FOR HIS LIFE.
4 YEARS AGO...
THIS IS SOMETHING PROBABLY ONLY I KNOW.
AND A HUGE BEAST SILENTLY LEAV-ING, WITH BLOOD GUSHING FROM ONE EYE...
WAS A MAN WHOSE NAME I DIDN'T KNOW, DYING FROM A LETHAL WOUND,
WHAT I SAW THEN...
WITH A BACK-DROP OF SNOW IN THE TROPICAL CLIMATE OF THE FIRST STRATUM



ICHIKA IS A RELIABLE PERSON.
CAN WE TRUST WHAT THAT PERSON SAYS?
IT ISN'T VERY HARD TO IMAGINE THAT IT'S A STRONG GUARDIAN IN THE THIRD STRATUM, ESPECIALLY IF ITS PURPOSE IS TO GUARD THE ROYAL TOMB
IT MAY HAVE CHASED SOMEONE WHO TRIED TO ENTER THE SACRED GROUNDS OF THE ROYAL TOMB ALL THE WAY BACK TO THE FIRST STRATUM 4 YEARS AGO

IF THE GUARDIAN OF THE ROYAL TOMB IS FIGHTING THE ADVENTURERS SENT DOWN BY THE CURRENT ROYAL FAMILY,
IT IS REALLY IRONIC...
BUT EVEN WE, THE ROYAL FAMILY, DON'T KNOW OF A WAY TO INDICATE TO THE GUARDIAN THAT WE ARE NOT ENEMIES..

WE HAVE LOST A LOT FROM THE PAST, IT SEEMS.
SO MUCH SO THAT WE DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT WE'VE LOST...
THEN, WHAT CAN WE EVEN...
SINCE WE HAVE ALREADY BECOME THE INVADERS OF THE SACRED TOMB,
THERE IS NO OTHER WAY THAN TO CONQUER IT WITH BRUTE FORCE.
LET US TRUST OUR ADVENTURERS FOR NOW.
THEY SHOULD ALREADY HAVE BOTH THAT DETERMINATION AND THE ABILITY TO DO IT.

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GRRRR...
HEY, DON'T NEED TO GROWL AT US.
WE AREN'T ENEMIES OF YOUR MASTER.

IF THAT THING HEARS US, WE WILL ALL BE DEAD.
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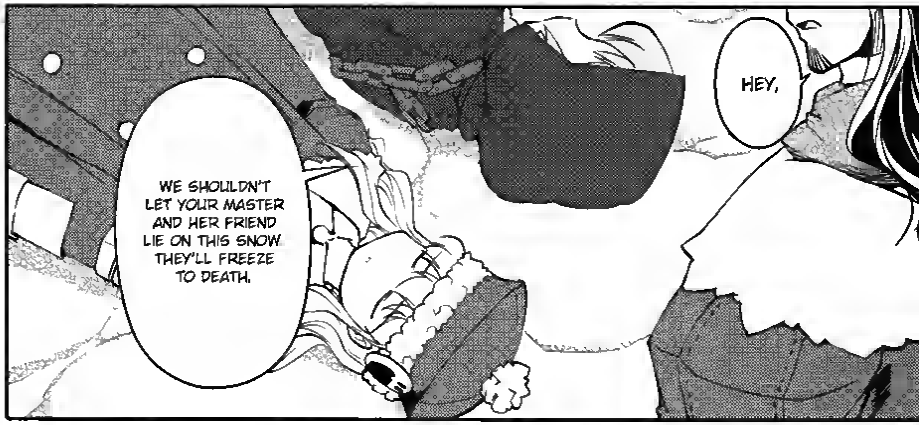
GOOD BOY.
RRR...


WE SHOULDN'T LET YOUR MASTER AND HER FRIEND LIE ON THIS SNOW. THEY'LL FREEZE TO DEATH.
HEY,

I KNOW A GOOD PLACE TO HIDE OUR-SELVES.
WHAT DO YOU THINK?

THIS IS SOMEONE'S DREAM
HEY HEY, RAIN,
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HAVE YOU SEEN MY COOKIES THAT WERE LEFT ON THE TABLE?
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ER..
WHAT DID THE MOUTH THAT SAID THAT DO RIGHT BEFORE THIS, HUH?!
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-OR A SCENE OF A STORY THAT DOESN'T HAVE MUCH TO BE TOLD.
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HEY CLAUDE, WELCOME BACK~
IT'S HURTING...
WHERE'S SIS SHINON?
WHAT ARE YOU ARGUING ABOUT...
SHE'S DELIVERING THE HERBS WE COLLECTED TO THE CLIENT WHO REQUESTED IT.
THE PLAN IS TO MEET AT THE PUB TO GET DINNER SO STOP YOUR POINTLESS QUARRELS AND GET READY, K?
IT'S NOT POINTLESS AT ALL!
NOT A LIE.
NOT ONLY DID RAIN EAT MY COOKIES SHE WAS TRYING TO LIE TO ME!
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT ANY COOKIES ON THE TABLE.
THOSE COOKIES WERE IN THE BAG UNDER THE TABLE...

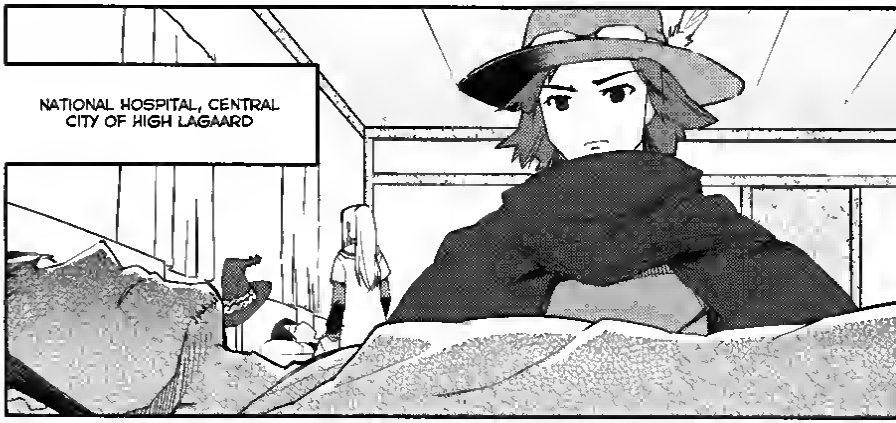
AND LUKE WAS BITING AT THEM THROUGH THE BAG.
LUUKE-EEEE?
...WAFUN...?
SO IT WAS ACTUALLY REALLY POINTLESS
HEY CLAUDE CAN I ASK YOU SOME-THING?
YEAH?
WHY ARE YOU CLIMBING THE YGGDRASIL?

GOSH...
YOU'RE ALWAYS SO BLUNT.
BUT AS A GUILD LEADER, I THOUGHT I SHOULD KNOW.
WELL, I'M OKAY WITH TALKING ABOUT IT, BUT IT'S NOTHING FANCY.
BASICALLY, US RONIN ARE A BUNCH OF USE-LESS PEOPLE WHO CAN ONLY USE SWORDS.
FOR US TO EARN A LIVING, IT'S USUALLY JOINING A COUNTRY'S ARMY OR BEING HIRED AS A RICH MAN'S BODY-GUARD.
EITHER WAY, IT'S JUST POINT-LESS HUMAN KILLING.
WHEN I SAW IT THAT WAY, IT FELT REALLY STUPID TO HOLD A SWORD OR EVEN LIVE.

"THAT LABYRINTH HAS TONS OF BEASTS THAT ARE MORE INTERESTING TO SLAY THAN HUMANS" AS HE SAYS.
THAT'S WHEN SOMEONE ASKED ME IF I WANTED TO CHALLENGE THE YGGDRASIL WITH HIM
HE DIED...
AND THAT MAN?
...EVEN THOUGH HE WAS A BETTER SWORDSMAN THAN ME.
MY REASON'S BASICALLY THAT.
I SEE...
RAIN, CAN I ASK YOU THE SAME QUESTION, TOO?

TO AVENGE MY COMRADES, NOTHING ELSE.
I THOUGHT I MENTIONED IT BEFORE.
YOU GOT THAT REASON AFTER YOU LOST THEM, RIGHT?
THAT'S NOT IT, RAIN
I WANT TO HEAR YOUR ORIGINAL REASON FOR CLIMBING YGGDRASIL BEFORE THAT HAPPENED

I...
HIGHER THAN THE BIRDS, HIGHER THAN THE CLOUDS,
WANTED TO GET TO THE TOP AND SEE THE SCENERY FROM THERE.
HIGH UP IN THE SKY-
AT THE PINNACLE OF THIS WORLD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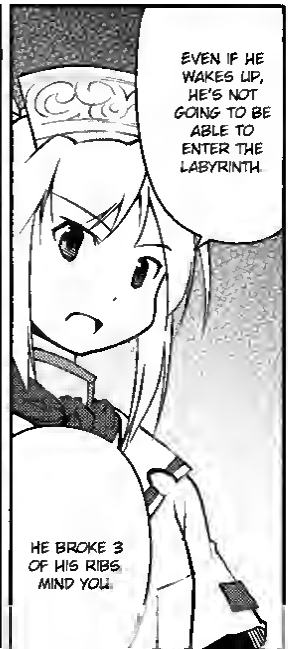
RIBS
SO WHAT? THIS GUY NEEDS TO GET SOME-WHERE QUICKLY!


EVEN IF HE WAKES UP, HE'S NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO ENTER THE LABYRINTH.
HE BROKE 3 OF HIS RIBS, MIND YOU.

WHY IS CLAUDE NOT WAKING UP YET?
HE HIT HIS HEAD REAL HARD, SO I'M REALLY NOT SURE WHEN HE WILL...

IF MY LEG WAS GOOD, I WOULD HAVE GONE TOO!
PLEASE REFRAIN FROM YELLING IN THE HOSPITAL.
OW!
ICHIKA-SAN'S ALREADY HEADED TO AID MANARI-SAN SO THE WOUNDED SHOULD JUST STAY HERE AND GET THEMSELVES HEALED QUICKLY!
O... OKAY OKAY! I UNDERSTAND SO PLEASE STOP PULLING MY EAR!

IT'S SO WARM...
WHAT HAPPENED TO ME JUST NOW?
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YOU WERE UNCONSCIOUS FOR LONG SO I WAS GETTING WORRIED.
YOU'RE FINALLY AWAKE.
OH,
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WHERE ARE WE?
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LUKE!?

OH YES, RAIN!
WHERE ARE CLAUDE AND SIS SHINON... AND LOKA AND CO.?
RELAX.
WE WILL EXPLAIN EVERYTHING WE KNOW IN ORDER.
FIRST, YOU SHOULD DRINK THIS
SINCE YOU DIDN'T WAKE UP FOR 3 DAYS.
3 DAYS!?
OH.
THANKS...

YES ..
DID YOU MANAGE TO CALM DOWN SLIGHTLY?
COMPARED TO YOU GUYS WHO FELL OFF THE CLIFF AFTER GETTING STUCK IN AN AVALANCHE,
THE OTHERS WHO AREN'T AT THE BOTTOM OF THE CLIFF HAVE A HIGHER CHANCE OF SURVIVING.
WELL, DON'T WORRY MUCH ABOUT THE OTHERS.
I'M FROM THE GUILD, HRAES...
I KNOW.
BY THE WAY, I FORGOT TO INTRODUCE MYSELF.

SELGRIM-SAN FROM HRAES-VELGR, RIGHT?
YOU'RE FAMOUS.
THAT SAVES US TIME.
I KNOW YOU TOO.
YOU'RE ICHIKA'S DISCIPLE, MANARI, RIGHT?
WHAT?
HEY, DID I GET FAMOUS ALL OF A SUDDEN?
FROM THE WAY HE SAID IT, IT'S PROBABLY YOUR MASTER WHO'S FAMOUS
SEEMS LIKE ICHIKA HASN'T TOLD YOU, THEN.
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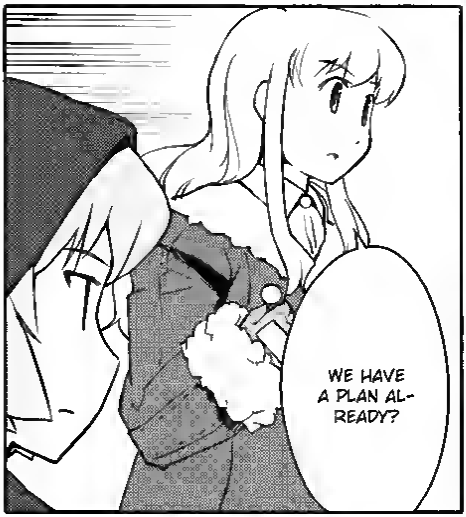
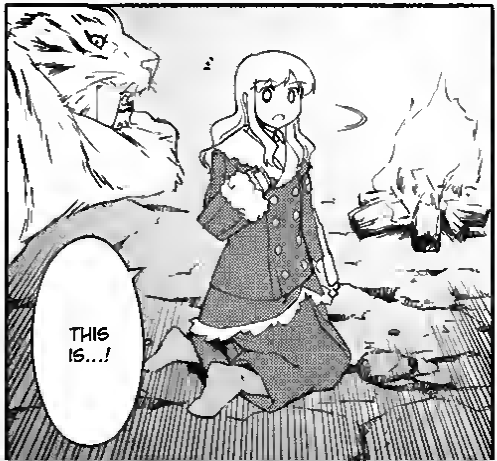

WE HAVE A PLAN ALREADY?

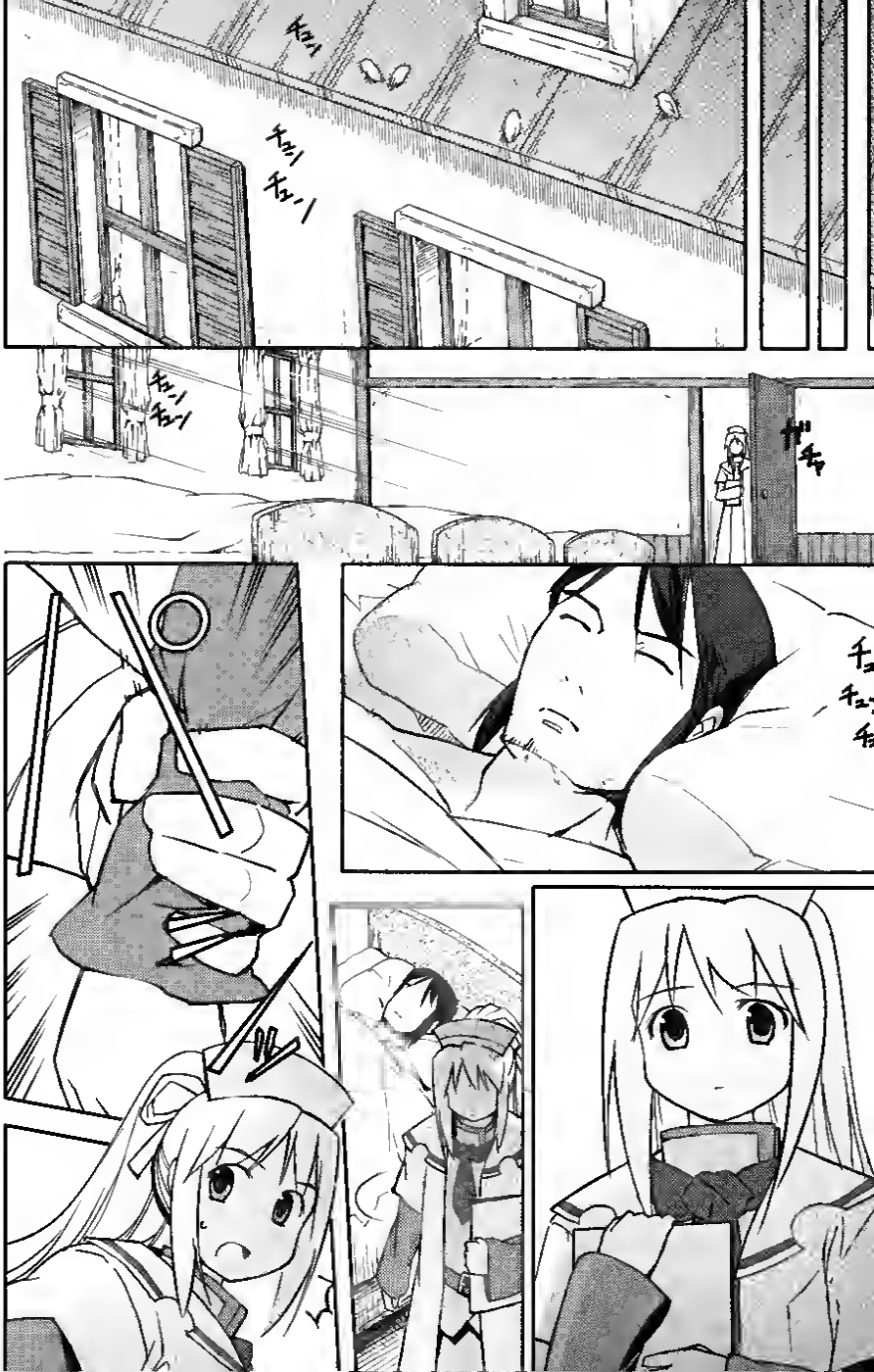
I SHOULD PROBABLY BRIEF YOU ON OUR PLANS TO GET BACK INSTEAD.
NEVERMIND ABOUT THAT.

SEEMS LIKE WE DRAGGED YOU INTO OUR MESS.
WHILE YOU WERE UNCONSCIOUS, BLUE RAIN TOLD ME MOST OF WHAT HAPPENED.


THIS IS...!

LOOK BEHIND YOU.
BUT THANKS TO THAT, WE HAVE AN IDEA OF WHERE WE ARE AND WHERE TO GO.

THE MAP OF THIS AREA?
THAT CROSS INDICATES THE BEAST'S NEST THAT'S ON OUR WAY BACK. I FOUND IT BY CHANCE THREE DAYS AGO
IT CONTAINS EVERYTHING I'VE FIGURED OUT THESE PAST FEW DAYS
ALSO,
TOMOR-ROW, WE WILL KILL IT.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WHAT DAY IS IT TODAY?
EXCUSE ME.

MANARI...
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Yawn...
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チュン チュン!
THAT WAS A NICE NIGHT'S REST!

HE HASN'T BEEN GETTING ANY REST THESE LAST FEW DAYS,
AND HIS DOMINANT ARM IS FRACTURED. I CAN'T BRING SOMEONE IN THAT STATE TO THE BATTLEFIELD.
ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T WANT TO WAKE SELGRIM UP?
NEVERMIND
OKAY, LET'S GO THEN.

AHH!
WHAT HAP-PENED?
SORRY, I THINK I LEFT SOMETHING BACK THERE. I NEED TO GO BACK AND GET IT.
FINE, GO GET IT.
YOU MIGHT END UP BUMP-ING INTO SELGRIM, THOUGH
LUKE,

WHAT?
SORRY, RAIN.

I THINK I'M GOING TO GO WITH JUST LUKE INSTEAD.
ARE YOU CRAZY?
WHAT ARE YOU EVEN THINKING?
BECAUSE, RAIN,
YOU SEEM LIKE...
YOU'RE NOT PLANNING ON GETTING OUT OF THIS ALIVE, ARE YOU?
I DON'T WANT TO BRING SOMEONE WHO'S LOOKING FOR HER DEATH IN THE NAME OF "REVENGE".

YOU ARE SO STUPID...
YOU...
WHAT DO YOU THINK THEN?
YOU THINK YOU CAN WIN THAT BEAST ALONE?
THEN WHY DON'T YOU USE THIS USELESS LIFE AND IN-CREASE YOUR CHANCES OF SURVIVING. EVEN IF IT'S BY A SINGLE PERCENT?

YOU HAVE YOUR REASONS FOR CLIMBING THE YGGDRASIL, DON'T YOU!
AFTER 30 MIN, YOU SHOULD LEAVE FOR THE CITY WITH SELGRIM.
RAIN...

YOU ...
...IDIOT.
WE'RE KILLING THAT BEAST.
SO, ARE WE GOING TO INITIATE THE ATTACK?

YEAH.
SEEMS LIKE THAT BEAST WON'T LET ANYONE WHO SETS FOOT IN THIS AREA LEAVE ALIVE.
THIS IS ITS TERRITORY...
OR PERHAPS IT'S SOME SACRED PLACE.
IF WE CAN'T AVOID A BATTLE,
WE MIGHT AS WELL MAKE THE FIRST MOVE TO IMPROVE OUR CHANCES.
IT USES ICE FOR BOTH ATTACK AND DEFENSE.
OUR ATTACKS WERE ALL BLOCKED BY ITS ICE SHIELD.
BUT IT WAS ALREADY WOUNDED IN THE RIGHT EYE...
IT ISN'T INVINCIBLE.
THERE'S NO LIVING ORGANISM THAT DOES NOT DIE.

I HAVE ALSO BEEN THINKING ABOUT HOW TO FIGHT THAT BEAST.
YEAH, THAT BEAST CANNOT BE INVINCIBLE.
NO MATTER HOW LONG IT MAY TAKE, THE ONLY WAY WILL BE TO HIT AND RETREAT
ALL I HAVE NOW IS MY WEAK FIRE-POWER AND LUKE'S MO-BILITY
WHICHEVER THE CASE, IT'S JUST BEGGING FOR WHAT I DON'T HAVE.
RE-PEATED SNIPING FROM SUPER-LONG RANGE
OR BOMBING WITH SIMUL-TANEOUS RELEASES OF FIRE SPELLS..
I'LL DRAG YOU AROUND THE LABYRINTH!
LET'S GO, LUKE!!

ONE TIME SCANS BECAUSE WE KEPT SAYING 1 MORE TIME

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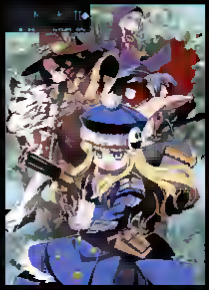

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THE FINAL EPISODE
SURROUNDED IN SNOW
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THE BACK OF THE CAVE HAS BEEN FROZEN...
THERE'S NO MISTAKING IT. HE'S BACK HERE.
THIS IS...

HEY, WHO ARE YOU?

THIS IS A COFFIN...
AN ICE COFFIN MADE JUST FOR HER.
YOU WEREN'T DONE IN BY THAT BEAST, WERE YOU?
IF SO, YOU WOULDN'T LOOK SO CALM AND GENTLE.
OH... I SEE...
...SO, THAT BEAST HAS BEEN BEEN HERE BY ITSELF ALL THAT TIME GUARDING YOU,
EVEN THOUGH EVERYONE HAS ALREADY FORGOTTEN ABOUT YOU.
RIGHT?

AH, I SEE.
YOU CAN'T FIGHT IN THE PLACE WHERE SHE SLEEPS.
I, ALSO, DON'T PLAN ON DAMAGING A GRAVE SO,
SHALL WE GO OUTSIDE TOGETHER?
LET'S SETTLE OUR DIFFERENCES FROM FOUR YEARS AGO.

CLAUDE-SAN!? IS IT OKAY FOR YOU TO BE UP AND ABOUT ALREADY?!
THIS IS MY ENTIRE SAVINGS. IT HAS A BIT MORE THAN 50,000 IN IT.
PLEASE, GIVE ME THE BEST KATANA I CAN BUY WITH IT.
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BEFORE I KNEW IT,
JUST BECAUSE MY RIB IS A LITTLE BROKEN, AND THAT I'M ON MY OWN NOW.
HA, I'M SHAKING. WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME?
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I TOO, HAD COME TO RELY ON THE OTHER GUYS.
WHEN DID YOU NOTICE...!?
SHINON!?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING TRYING TO ACT COOL ALL BY YOURSELF? CLAUDE—
WHAT? A LABYRINTH SUCH AS THIS SHOULDN'T BE CONSIDERED DIFFICULT

THAT ASIDE, YOUR FACE LOOKS TERRIBLE. IF YOU'RE INJURIES ARE HURTING, TAKE THIS.
WHAT'S THIS?
MY SPECIAL PAINKILLER MEDICINE.
NO MATTER WHAT OR WHERE THE PAIN IS IT, WILL DISAPPEAR. IT'S A POWERFUL MEDICINE WHERE YOU CAN GO WITHOUT SLEEP FOR THREE DAYS.
I'M SO THANKFUL I MIGHT EVEN SHED TEARS...
WELL LET'S HURRY, CLAUDE! RIGHT NOW EVERY SECOND IS PRECIOUS!
BECAUSE US ADVENTURERS WILL NEVER STAND BY AND WATCH OUR FRIENDS DIE!!
YUP! THAT'S A GIVEN!

WHEN I GIVE THE SIGNAL, LEAP TO THE RIGHT!
HE'S COMING, LUKE!
HE'S HERE!!

ALL OF THE NORMAL BULLETS ARE REPELLED BY HIS SPECIAL SHIELD.
BUT HOW ABOUT THIS?!

MY FIRESHOTS ALONE AREN'T ENOUGH TO BREAK HIS ICE, HUH?
BUT...

AS I THOUGHT, HE CAN ONLY USE HIS SHIELDS TO PROTECT ONE PLACE AT A TIME!
IT'S NOT LIKE HE'S INVINCI-BLE!
DODGE IT, LUKE!

GAH!
WHAT'S WITH THE SIZE AND POWER OF HIS ABILITIES?!
IF I GET HIT WITH EVEN ONE OF HIS ATTACKS, HE'LL JUST FINISH ME OFF WITH A TORRENT OF ICE!!
EVEN AFTER STRUGGLING SO HARD, I'VE ONLY BEEN ABLE TO GRAZE HIM!

THERE'S STILL A CHANCE IF WE KEEP FIGHTING LIKE THIS...
BUT THIS IS FINE.
IT'S NOT LIKE WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING TO HIM.
EH!?
NO WAY, HE STEPPED ON SOME SORT BRANCH HIDDEN UNDER THE SNOW!?
LUKE!?

URK...
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SHIT! THESE RIDICULOUS CLIFFS..
GAH...!

RAIN
CLIMBING A CLIFF LIKE THAT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU.

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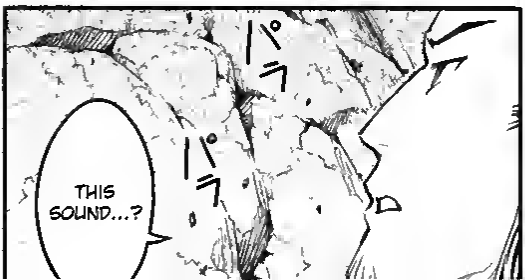
SELGRIM!?


THIS SOUND...?
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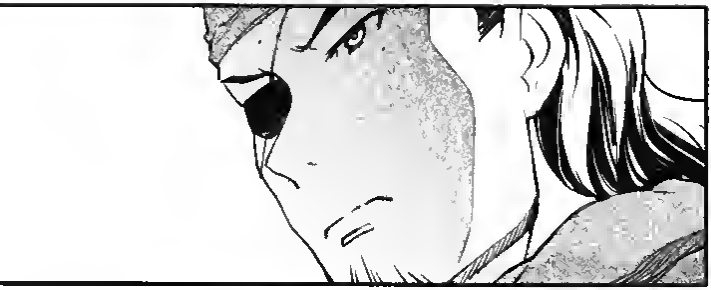
A CERTAIN IDIOT IS FIGHTING ALONE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS.
IMPOSSIBLE OR NOT, I DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO GO AROUND IT.
CLIMBING A CLIFF LIKE THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU.
YOUR BODY IS SMALL.
YOU ARE ALSO WEAK.
UNLIKE A RANGER, YOU DON'T HAVE ANY CLIMBING EQUIPMENT
SO IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO CLIMB THIS CLIFF.
THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU-
BUT
IF IT'S YOU, THEN MAYBE YOU COULD PASS THROUGH THAT CREVICE.

SELGRIM, IS THIS IT?
YEAH, IT'S TOO SMALL AND I COULDN'T ENTER IT SO I NEVER DREW IT ON THE MAP."
I'LL SAY THIS THOUGH, THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THIS SMALL CREVICE LEADS TO THE OTHER SIDE.
THERE'S CERTAINLY WIND PASSING THROUGH.
I UNDER-STAND, BUT

THAT'S ALL THEN.
THANK YOU, SELGRIM.



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I'M SORRY.
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I CAN ONLY GIVE YOU TREATMENT TO THIS EXTENT.

IN THE HEAT OF THE MOMENT I FLED HERE BUT, THESE RUINS ARE ALREADY VERY FRAGILE.
IF HE FINDS AND ATTACKS US WE WON'T LAST FIVE MINUTES. A STAND-OFF HERE IS IMPOSSIBLE...
IT'LL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR LUKE TO DO ANY MORE.
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WE'VE BEEN SPOTTED!

AW
GAOGAO
KEH!
TAKE THIS!!

YOU CAN'T LOSE YOUR CONFIDENCE UNDER PRESSURE, MANARI!!!
OF COURSE, IT'S USELESS TO JUST BLINDLY SHOOT! I KNEW THAT FROM THE BEGINNING!
LUKE! RUN TO THE FOREST ON THE OTHER SIDE!
WE'LL GATHER UP AND-
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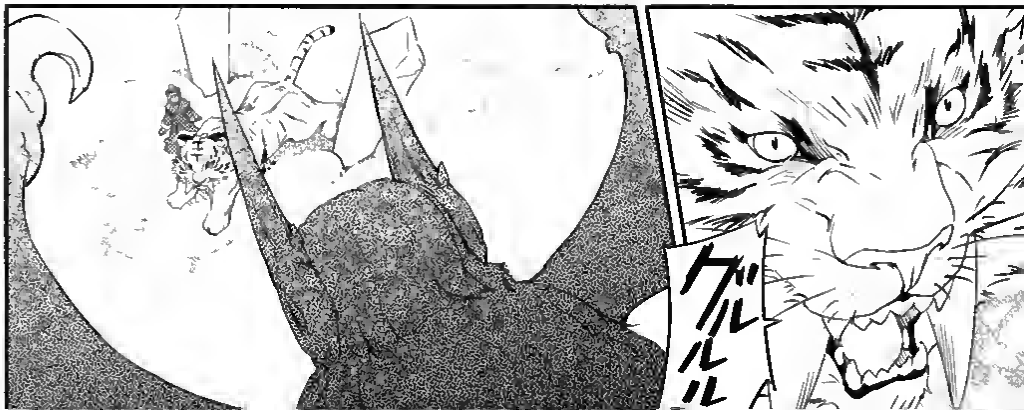
LUKE??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IT'S NO USE LUKE...
YOU CAN'T.
THERE IS NO WAY YOU CAN'T BEAT SOMETHING THIS BIG.
THAT'S RIGHT... WE NEED TO RUN AWAY.
LUKE, WE'RE RETREATING BACK TO THE RUINS WE JUST PASSED.
AH

IN THE END, I AM...
WHERE DID I MAKE THE WRONG DECISION?
WAS IT WHEN I DECIDED TO LEAVE BLUE RAIN AND SELGRIM TO FIGHT HIM?
OR COULD IT BE WHEN I DECIDED TO ENTER THE MOUNTAINS WITHOUT PROPER PREPERATIONS?
IT COULD EVEN BE A LOT FURTHER BACK....

YES...!
MASTER ICHIKA. PLEASE FORGIVE ME FOR JOURNEYING OUT WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION.
FOR I AM ALREADY READY FOR THE WORLD AND I WANT TO TEST MY ABILITIES.
I WILL DEFINITELY BRING RECOGNITION TO OUR TOWN, SO UNTIL THEN, PLEASE STAY IN GOOD HEALTH
MANARI.

MANARI,
IF YOU WERE PLANNING TO HITCHHIKE WITH THE MERCHANT'S CARRIAGE YOU BETTER HURRY UP AND GO.
THEY'LL BE LEAVING SOON.
GEH
MA.... MASTER ICHIKA, WHEN DID YOU GET HERE?
AREN... AREN'T YOU GOING TO STOP ME MASTER?
I'LL ONLY DO WHAT I CAN I WON'T TRY SOMETHING THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE
MANARI,

IN THE LABYRINTH YOU WILL BE FACED WITH A MULTITUDE OF THINGS. GAINING KNOWLEDGE, ALL THE BAD LUCK YOU CAN THINK OF, SITUATIONS THAT YOU DIDN'T PREDICT, THESE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE MANY TRIALS YOU WILL FACE THERE
WHEN THAT TIME COMES, YOU WILL BE TESTED ON EVERYTHING THAT YOU HAVE LEARNT UP TO THAT POINT.
I KNOW, I KNOW.
IN THE END THE ONLY THINGS YOU CAN COUNT ON ARE THE SKILLS YOU HAVE POLISHED YOURSELF.
WRONG!!
YOUR 'EVERYTHING' IS DEFINITELY NOT SOMETHING AS SMALL AS JUST THESE SKILLS YOU HAVE TRAINED UP.
SO, PLEASE MANARI....

DON'T GIVE UP TO THE VERY END.
RA... RAIN... WHY ARE YOU....?
MANARI, YOU TOLD ME TO LIVE DIDN'T YOU...?

THEN WHY ARE YOU SITTING THERE MAKING THAT FACE!?
WHY ARE YOU THE FIRST ONE TO GIVE UP!!!?
ANSWER ME!!!
MY SPELL ISN'T GOING TO LAST MUCH LONGER!! CLAUDE!!!
SHIT!! STAY DOWN!!!

NOPE
YOU'VE DONE QUITE ENOUGH RAIN.
YOU'VE REALISED TOO LATE!!

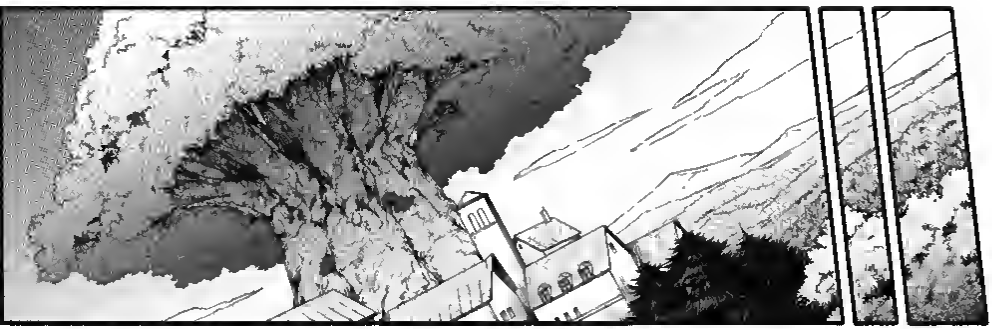
IT SEEMS LIKE THE UPPER RIGHT SIDE IS HIS BLIND SPOT AFTERALL.
UUOOHH!!
CLAUDE!?
MANARI!
MANARI!! WE NOW HAVE EVERYONE IN THE GUILD HERE!!
SIS SHINON...
NOW MAKE YOUR DECISIONS AND GIVE ORDERS AS A LEADER!!!

WHAT DO WE DO MANARI?
HE'S CONFUSED FROM BEING STABBED UNEXPECTEDLY. NOW IS THE TIME TO CHOOSE WHETHER WE FIGHT OR RUN.
RUN AWAY? DON'T SPOUT NONSENSE!!
WE CAN DEFINITELY DEFEAT HIM IN HIS CURRENT STATE.

...EVERY-ONE,
THANK YOU....

WE WILL DEFEAT HIM AND WE WILL ALL RETURN ALIVE!!
IF WE SHOW HIM OUR BACKS NOW, HE'LL DEFINITELY GIVE CHASE!!
THE 3RD LEVEL OF THE LABY-RINTH... THIS LAND WILL NOW BE CONQUERED BY THE HANDS OF PEOPLE!!
YES MA'AM!!

UUUUOOOOOOOO!!!!!



A FEW MONTHS LATER
キィ…
IF IT ISN'T SELGRIM,
WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN HIDING THESE PAST FEW MONTHS?

I WENT TO RETURN SAKONJI'S REMAINS TO HIS HOMETOWN.
NOWHERE. I'VE JUST BEEN OUT MAKING GOOD ON A PROMISE I MADE A LONG TIME AGO.
IS THAT SO...
JUST THE SAME AS ALWAYS, NOT LIKE IT'S GOING TO BE DIFFERENT.
BUT ENOUGH OF THAT, HOW HAS HIGH LAGAARD BEEN?
NOTHING MUCH HAS CHANGED SINCE YOU LEFT.

HEH.....?
THE LITTLE MISS FROM BEFORE RECEIVED A MEDAL FROM THE PRINCESS....
AAAA THERE WAS ONE THING.

YES, THIS TIME WE'RE SO INDEBTED TO YOU AND YOUR APPRENTICE.
PLEASE ALLOW US TO THANK YOU MORE THOROUGHLY FOR YOUR HELP.
ICHIKA, ARE YOU LEAVING ALREADY?

IS THAT SO? IF THAT'S THE CASE THEN IT CAN'T BE HELPED.
AND TO STAY STILL DOESN'T REALLY SUIT YOUR NATURE ANYWAY.
THERE ARE MANY JOBS THAT REQUIRE THE ATTENTION OF ONE SUCH AS I IN THE FRONTIER REGIONS AND SO I CANNOT LEAVE THE VILLAGE FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME.
I AM VERY SORRY.

HMM, THAT IS A GOOD QUES-TION.
I WONDER ABOUT WHERE MANARI WOULD BE NOW?
THEY MIGHT NOT BE IN SIGHT FROM HERE ANYMORE.
I WONDER WHAT KIND OF SIGHTS THEY COULD SEE FROM WHERE THEY ARE....
OR MAYBE EVEN HIGHER THAN THE CLOUDS.
THEY MIGHT BE EVEN HIGHER THAN THE BIRDS.

AH.

うぉ!
HMM, WELL IT'D BE OK TO CLIMB THE WORLD TREE BUT IT'D BE OK EVEN IF WE DON'T CLIMB IT.
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?
IT SEEMS LIKE IT WILL STILL BE A WHILE BEFORE WE CAN CLIMB THE WORLD TREE
BUT I THINK IT MIGHT BE INTERESTING TO TRAVEL TO ANOTHER COUNTRY IF IT'S WITH YOU GUYS.
YEAH...
THE WORLD IS SO BIG..

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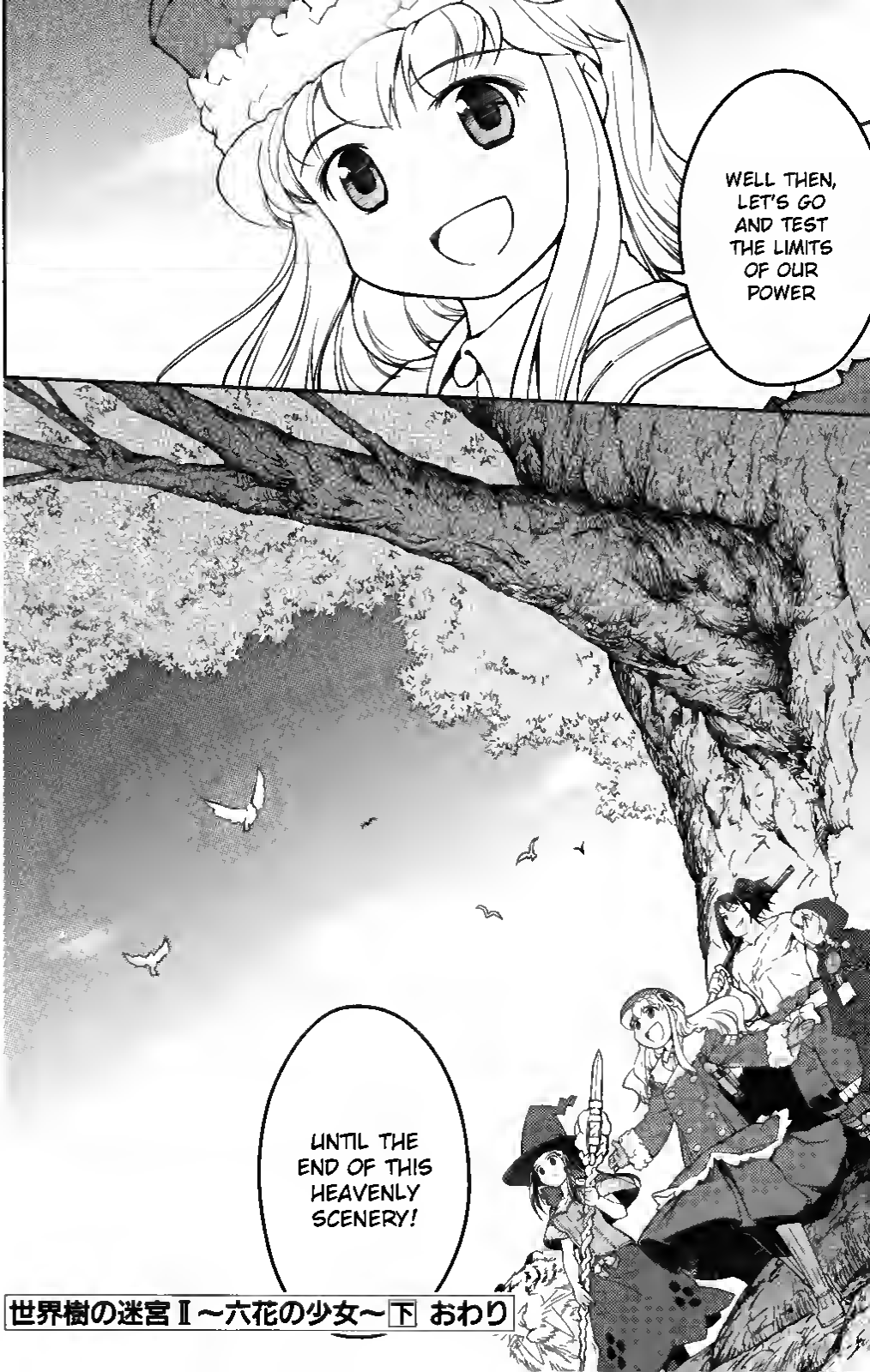

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